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In the leadup to the United Nations' International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, Metro Canada is taking a look at how Canadians are fighting poverty and making ends meet.

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Metro looks at how local agencies are trying to help those who are living below — and above — the poverty line, page 6.
United Way aims to strengthen communities, Sullivan on not forgetting, page 14.

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Olympic medal designer Corrine Hunt, left, shows the gold Paralympic medal to a child during the medal unveiling ceremony in Vancouver on Thursday. More coverage, page 4.

Games medals unique pieces of larger works

Each of 1,014 medals a jigsaw part to West Coast art designs

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

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Every athlete who ascends the podium during the 2010 Games will take home a unique medal, said Olympic organizers Thursday morning during a medal unveiling at the Athletes' Village.

The design of each of 1,014 gold, silver or bronze medals is taken from hand-cropped sections of two large works of West Coast art — an orca for the Olympics, a raven for Paralympics.

It means the designs, by local artist/designer Corrine Hunt, could be roughly recreated — if someone had the time to arrange the medals like a precious-metal jigsaw.

"We wanted each piece to be completely unique," said co-designer Omer Arbel. "We felt that, unlike other medals in other Games, it was important that each athlete take home a piece that was different than every other athlete."

Each medallist will also receive a silk scarf with the original art so they can see where their medal fits in the overall design.

The medals are not flat, but gently undulated, "inspired by ocean waves." The Olympic medals are 10 centimetres in diameter and are circular in shape, while their Paralympic cousins are squared circles.

At more than half a kilogram each, they are among the heaviest medals in Olympic history.

"I thought there was no way we'd be able to replicate it," said Stephane Ouellette, a machinist at the Royal Canadian Mint.

VANOC executive vice-president Dave Cobb said the medals were created over a two-year period and in consultation with athletes, who wanted something that was unique from other Games, uniquely Canadian and simply "big and heavy."

Silver, gold, bronze

• Unlike previous Olympic medals that were cast in a mold, each of the 2010 medals was created by being stamped under 1,900 tonnes of pressure.

• Each medal will have the Olympic discipline laser-inscribed on the back.

Balloon boy grounded in garage

COLORADO A six-year-old boy was found hiding in a cardboard box in his family's garage Thursday after being feared aboard a homemade helium balloon that hurtled 80 kilometres through the sky on live television.

Falcon Heene

The discovery marked a bizarre end to a saga that started when the giant silvery balloon floated away from the family's yard Thursday morning, sparking a frantic rescue operation that involved military helicopters and briefly halted some departures from Denver International Airport.

Then, more than two hours after the balloon gently touched down in a field with no sign of the boy, Sheriff Jim Alderden told reporters that six-year-old Falcon Heene was "at the house." "Apparently he's been there the whole time," he said.

The boy's father, Richard Heene, said that he scolded Falcon for getting inside a compartment on the craft. Falcon's brother saw him inside and that's why they thought he was aboard the balloon when it launched.

But the boy had fled to the garage, climbing into the rafters and hiding in a cardboard box after the scolding. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Heene's helium balloon.

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Local

Premier to stop by Today Show

B.C. Premier Gordon Campbell, left, will appear on NBC's Today Show with Al Roker, right, on Monday morning. Campbell is stopping in New York to promote B.C. before heading to Olympia, Greece, for the lighting of the Olympic Flame at the Temple of Hera on Oct. 22.

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News in brief

FIRE Vancouver's chief of police says a fire that broke out in an East Vancouver apartment building may have been deliberately set. The fire started in the first-floor suite of a building on Adanac Street on Wednesday night. No one was injured.

FALSE ALARM The Amber Alert sent to some Vancouverites via text message on Thursday was false, police warned. Authorities haven't determined the source of the message.

THEFT A woman in Langley had her debit card stolen and $1,000 withdrawn from her bank account after trying to buy cigarettes from a man on the street. The suspect had a portable ATM machine and when the victim entered her PIN number, the man took off with her bank card.

RIDESHARE Another 1,700 Lower Mainland residents signed up to join rideshare last week, TransLink said. There are currently 1,500 people ridesharing and another 4,900 searching for commuting matches on ride-share.com.

SHOOTING Police have identified a man shot to death in Burnaby on Wednesday as a 27-year-old Vancouver man. The victim, whose name has not been revealed, is known to police. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Squamish billboards get OK

Digital signs blend in better with environment: Spokesperson

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The Squamish Nation and council formally approved a proposal on Thursday to install nine digital boards on six structures on Nation land in Vancouver, the North Shore and Squamish.

The nine billboards, which some residents have complained are going to be an eyesore, will be in operation by December.

"We are very pleased that the council approved the billboard proposal," said Squamish Nation Chief Gibby Jacob.

"We need to look closely at how we can use our own landholdings to help provide important new revenues to support social and educational programs and services for our community."

The billboards, which will be three metres high and nine metres wide, will use LED lighting, which has environmental benefits, said Rod Thornton, spokesperson for Astral Media Outdoor, which is building and operating the billboards.

"Because they're digital, there's no need for ink, glue, paper or vinyl … (and they) are managed remotely," said Thornton.

"They really are much more attractive in design and construction and a significant visual improvement over the traditional billboard.

"They are state of the art in materials, sleek, streamlined, more unobtrusive, (and) they blend in better with the environment."

PHOTO COURTESY OF ASTRAL MEDIA OUTDOOR

A photo illustration shows the billboard set to be erected in December at the south end of the Burrard Street Bridge. The billboard will be larger than that shown in the picture.

Locations

• Other billboard locations include outside the Stawamus Chief and at the offramp to the Lion's Gate Bridge.

Suspect arrested after cab driver stabbed in neck

STIG NIELSEN
for Metro Vancouver

CRIME A taxi driver was stabbed in the neck during a robbery in the city, Vancouver police said on Thursday.

The driver felt a prick on his neck and realized he'd been stabbed just as he stopped the cab to drop off a fare on the 500-block of Homer Street Wednesday morning, Const. Anne Longley said in a release.

The attacker ran out of the cab with the driver giving chase until the cabbie realized he was bleeding.

He was treated by paramedics and eventually taken to hospital with a two-inch knife wound on his neck.

As the driver was being cared for, police located a suspect at a nearby hotel.

"In an apparent attempt to deter the pursuit, the man sprayed pepper spray into a hallway of the hotel," Longley said. "He was quickly arrested by police and taken to jail."

Thomas Brian Smith, 30, appeared in court on Thursday to face charges of robbery and assault.

Sikh daggers to be allowed in venues

VANCOUVER 2010 Games

ACCOMMODATION The Kirpan, a ceremonial dagger that must be worn by all initiated or Amritdhari Sikhs, will be allowed inside secured areas during next year's Winter Olympic Games.

The Vancouver 2010 Integrated Security Unit unveiled new guidelines on Thursday, developed in consultation with representatives of the Sikh community.

Anyone wearing a Kirpan will be required to inform security screeners who will ensure the daggers are no longer than 7.5 inches in length. They must also be secured into a sheath, attached to a fabric belt and worn across the torso. METRO VANCOUVER

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WHAT'S ONLINE TODAY

Video The medals for the 2010 Olympic Games were unveiled in Vancouver on Thursday, at **metronews.ca/canada**

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VANOC to unveil medal carrying case

VANOC is creating a soon-to-be-unveiled carrying case for the medals made of embroidered, heathered wool. METRO VANCOUVER

Meddling with details

The Vancouver 2010 Winter Games gold medal

- Olympic athletes don't have to worry about their medals warping or falling apart atop Whistler Mountain because the medals have been tested at temperatures of -20 C to ensure their integrity.
- The 1,014 medals, which weigh between 500 and 576 grams, were created from two kilograms of gold, 1,950 kilograms of silver and 903 kilograms of copper.
- A small portion of the gold, silver and copper used in the production was recovered from e-waste. VANOC said almost seven tonnes of circuit board was diverted from landfills to create the medals.

JEFF HODSON/METRO VANCOUVER

Word on the street: What do you think of the 2010 Vancouver Olympic medals?

Amy Bell
age 33, Vancouver

A: I'm biased when it comes to the Olympics, but they are quite beautiful. They are very distinct ... When you think of Vancouver, you think of aboriginal art.

Ashley Charron
age 22, Vancouver

A: I like the medals. Personally, I like the colours, I think the contrast is nice, the idea is good. I like that they are wavy. It's original, it's good and it's catchy.

Jearn Eymundson
age 30, Vancouver

A: I like it, I think it's a different style than others done before. And I think they have a good meaning because they represent the country.

Travis Parker
age 26, Vancouver

A: I think they look pretty New Age sort of, eh? And it has a shimmer sort of thing. It looks pretty cool, but I kind of prefer the traditional sort of medals.

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Taking aim at poverty

United Way calls for joint effort to improve city

KIMBERLY SHEARON
for Metro Vancouver

Eradicating Poverty

The first step to eradicating poverty is building strong communities.

That's the message from United Way Lower Mainland, which is taking a solutions-based approach to tackling poverty's roots — starting with at-risk children.

"I think people can get overwhelmed by the feeling that the poor will always be among us, and (they think), 'There's nothing I can do personally on my own,'" said Deborah Irvine, United Way's vice-president of community impact and investment.

United Way has taken a behind-the-scenes, preventative approach to addressing poverty in Vancouver's Lower Mainland, Irvine said. United Way has identified three groups — young children up to age six, school-aged children between six and 12, and seniors — as the keys to building strong communities that will in turn, end poverty.

Ensuring children and their parents get what they need for a safe, nurturing home environment is at the forefront of United Way's strategy.

"If young children are developmentally ready for school, chances that they have a really good chance to graduate from school, to land really well-paying jobs, to form attachments and relationships," Irvine added.

Irvine acknowledged that the grip poverty has on the city is tight and far-reaching, but said there is hope for a better future so long as people from all walks of life are willing to chip in and lend a helping hand.

"I think (the solution) is a combination of lending your voice and digging into your pockets."

VAG expanding art's horizons

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Hilliard Goldfarb, curator of the Art Gallery's new exhibit, Expanding Horizons, at the VAG on Thursday.

ART GALLERY A new exhibit opening at the Vancouver Art Gallery on Friday explores the evolution of American and Canadian identity around the turn of the century through landscape paintings and photography.

Expanding Horizons features 175 artistic works from, among others, Winslow Homer, Georgia O'Keeffe and Tom Thomson.

The exhibit is divided into six thematic sections reflecting North Americans' changing perception of, and relationship with, the natural world and their environment.

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Richmond Night Market to re-open
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Cuts worried officer

Mountie takes stand in Schoenborn murder trial

The Mountie who arrested the man accused of killing his three children in Merritt has testified he was shocked by the large cuts he saw on Allan Schoenborn's arms.

Cpl. Jason Smart apprehended Schoenborn 10 days after the suspect's two young sons and daughter were found slain in their home in April 2008.

Smart told Schoenborn's B.C. Supreme Court murder trial in Kamloops that he was concerned Schoenborn wasn't going to survive the wounds.

Earlier trial evidence suggested Schoenborn tried to kill himself after his children died.

Smart says when he told Schoenborn to hold on because the ambulance was close, Schoenborn said he couldn't hear the sirens but he could hear the coyotes, though there were no coyotes.

The officer also testified that Schoenborn was asking for fruit, water and cigarettes and asking about his estranged wife, Darcie Clarke, who had found the children's bodies.

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News in brief

WARNING Police have issued a warning about a violent sexual offender from Calgary who may be heading toward B.C. A Canada-wide warrant has been issued for Dean Robert Zimmerman, who is deemed a high risk to re-offend and targets women.

ARREST RCMP have arrested a 19-year-old man wanted in connection with the robbery of a Langley jewelry store in August. Ellwood Bradbury was arrested on Wednesday and made his first court appearance on Thursday.

YOUTH FOLLOWED Parents in Hope and Delta are being advised to warn their children about a suspicious white van that has been approaching young people in the area. In the most recent incident, two girls were followed for several blocks along Park Street on their way to school.

FATALITIES Police have identified a couple killed after their car collided with a train in Nanaimo as Rosane Miline Perreault, 44, and Lyle Brian Hall, 49. Their 14-year-old son was in the vehicle and was airlifted to B.C. Children's Hospital, where he is in critical condition.

MISSING Langley RCMP are asking the public for help in finding a missing 16-year-old girl. Britanny Bucklage-Kopas was last seen at her home on the evening of Oct. 9. She suffers from seizures and emotional problems, and has been known to be violent.

TEEN APPROACHED Delta police are investigating after a man in his 30s approached a 13-year-old girl while she was walking home from school. The teen became uncomfortable and, spotting a friend, asked if she could walk home with her. The man left without incident.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

ICBC broke rules in jury checking: Commissioner

REPORT B.C.'s privacy commissioner says staff at the Insurance Corporation of B.C. broke the company's own rules when they ran checks on the driving records of jurors at trials involving accident insurance claims.

Commissioner David Loukidelis says this happened a half dozen times, and in three of them, the information was passed on to lawyers working for ICBC.

He's recommending better training for ICBC staff to make sure they know the rules against jury checking, and telling lawyers hired by the company about ICBC's privacy policies.

Loukidelis says his office will follow up on ICBC's progress in implementing the recommendations to ensure they are rolled out quickly across the company.

Insurance Corporation CEO Jon Schubert says jury checking is unacceptable and all of the recommendations in the commissioner's report will be implemented.

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Debut film wins Dragons and Tigers Award
Eighteen, the debut film by South Korean director Jang Kun-Jae about a high-school romance and its consequences, won VIFF's $10,000 Dragons and Tigers Award. METRO VANCOUVER

It's a wrap for 'great' VIFF

Fest meets success despite challenging financial environment

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Vancouver International Film Festival
VIFF

Despite having its financial rug tugged from beneath its feet, this year's Vancouver International Film Festival was a piece of cake, said festival director Alan Franey.

The final curtain drops Friday night on VIFF, wrapping the two-week event that featured more than 375 films from about 70 countries.

"The number of things that could have gone wrong, and haven't gone wrong, is quite large," Franey said. "All the prints came and we had very few technical issues. It was great."

Franey said audiences and filmmakers were full of compliments for each other and for the festival. Lineups were good and the festival hit its targets for ticket sales.

A month before the festival, the province had chopped $70,000 in gaming grants from VIFF's budget.

"It was a bit like throwing a dinner party after your car has been in an accident," Franey said.

"You know you're going to have to buy a new car. You'll have to deal with it afterwards, but during the dinner party you just try and ignore it."

A week before the festival started however, the federal government announced that it would receive more than $467,000 under its marquee tourism events program.

Franey said the year was challenging for sponsorship and expects the festival will be in a deficit position.

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Sandrine Bonnaire as Helene in a scene from Queen To Play.

Queen To Play 'eloquently told'

The French film Queen To Play closes the 28th annual Vancouver International Film Festival on Friday night.

The film, which is set on Corsica, stars Sandrine Bonnaire and Kevin Kline (in his first French-speaking role).

Alan Franey, festival director, describes the closing film as charming story and one that is beautiful to watch.

"Bonnaire is one of the great French actresses," said Franey.

"So intelligent and charming. You get to spend a lot of time with her. The camera really appreciates her face."

The film is about a hotel maid (Bonnaire) and her coming out as a woman and entry into the wider world through the game of chess.

Kline stars as the American recluse who teaches her the game. Jennifer Beals also has a small cameo.

"It's a simple story, but very eloquently told," Franey said.

The film's director Caroline Bottaro is among the guests scheduled to attend the festival's closing gala party.

Prior to the gala, the juried and audience prizes will be awarded.

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VIFF faves get extra screenings

DEMAND A number of VIFF favourites will be given additional screenings due to popular demand at the VanCity Theatre this weekend and early next week.

- On Saturday, Queen To Play, the festival's closing gala film will be re-screened, along with This Way Of Life.
- Only When I Dance and At The Edge Of The World screens Sunday.
- On Monday, the festival will replay Nora's Will and 65_Redroses.
- Tuesday will see The Man Who Bottled Clouds and Breathless.

Visit viff.org for times.

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News in brief

AWARDS The juried awards that will be handed out Friday night before the festival's closing gala are the women in film, the most promising director of a Canadian short film ($2,000) and best Canadian feature film ($20,000). There will also be audience choice awards for environmental films, the most popular Canadian documentary, the most popular Canadian film and the people's choice award.

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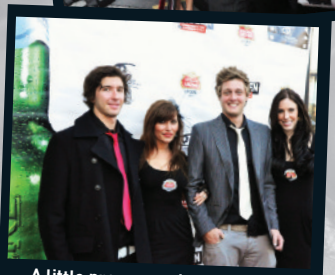

A little pre-screening schmooze at the VIFF Headquarters.

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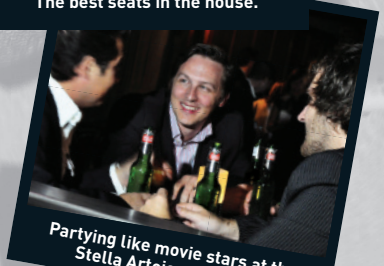

Partying like movie stars at the Stella Artois afterparty.

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Alleged tot killer to be tried as adult

The Supreme Court of Canada is refusing to hear an appeal launched by a Quebec man who was fighting to be tried as a minor. Brandon Pardi is charged with hitting and killing three-year-old Bianca Leduc in 2007. Pardi turned 18 on the same day he allegedly committed the offence. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada

MacKay denies seeing torture warnings

Defence Minister Peter MacKay says he never saw reports by a Canadian diplomat warning of possible torture in Afghan prisons. It was revealed this week that two reports in early 2006 warned the federal government that prisoners turned over by Canadian troops were likely being tortured. The documents were circulated widely throughout the Foreign Affairs and Defence departments and were also shared with senior military commanders in Ottawa and Afghanistan, said an affidavit filed with a military watchdog agency. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Quebec **Rethinking priorities**

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Dr. Yolaine Galarneau, prevention director, talks about vaccination as Quebec Health Minister Yves Bolduc, left, looks on at a news conference on Thursday in Quebec City. A new poll that suggests more than a quarter of Quebec workers would go to the office with the H1N1 virus illustrates the urgent need for a new workplace culture.

Harper says no to expanded info laws

'We can do better,' says assistant privacy czar

The Harper government has quietly nixed recommendations to expand and modernize Canada's access-to-information and privacy laws.

Accusations Thursday that the Tories have reneged on campaign promises to bring openness and transparency to the federal government.

"The access system now does not work," said Michel Drapeau, a lawyer and a leading expert on accessing government documents.

Harper

"They appear to like it this way."

Nicholson's rejection was also greeted with disappointment by privacy experts, who warned that Canada's outdated Privacy Act does not cover modern technologies, such as surveillance cameras and DNA samples collected from suspects.

Nor does it give the privacy commissioner any recourse to the courts when the government inappropriately discloses personal information, no matter how serious the breach.

"We're very disappointed, actually," said Chantal Bernier, assistant privacy commissioner.

"While we agree with the minister that privacy is well protected in Canada, we feel we can do better."

A House of Commons committee had recommended, among other things, that the information commissioner be given more power to force the government to disclose information in a timely manner.

Drapeau said only 10 to 20 per cent of access requests receive a response within 30 days, as intended under the law.

The rest routinely take up to two years with some dragging on as long as four years.

Suzanne Legault, interim information commissioner, said Drapeau's view of the access system is overly pessimistic.

She said 57 per cent of requests get a response within 30 days.

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Tories lead polls

- The federal Conservatives continue to hold a healthy lead over the Liberals, but remain well shy of majority territory, a new poll suggests. The Canadian Press Harris-Decima survey put the Tories at 35 per cent nationally, compared with 28 per cent for the Liberals. The NDP was at 15 per cent, while the Greens and Bloc Quebecois were tied at 10 per cent. Doug Anderson, Harris-Decima senior vice-president, said graphs of polling data over the last three months show a clear downward trend for the Liberals.

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Hutterites denied licence appeal

COURTS The Supreme Court of Canada will not let a group of Alberta Hutterites re-argue their case against photo drivers licences.

The high court gives no reasons for refusing the appeal, but such a second chance is rarely granted.

The Hutterites went to court after the province required in 2003 that all licence holders be photographed for a provincial facial recognition data bank. They said the requirement violated their religious beliefs.

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Alberta's premier, cabinet take pay cut

POLITICS Alberta Premier Ed Stelmach and his cabinet are taking a pay cut.

A government release says Stelmach is cutting his premier's allowance by 15 per cent, or just over $12,000 a year, effective immediately.

Ministers are having their cabinet wages cut by 10 per cent, which amounts to almost $6,400 annually.

"I met with cabinet ... and I asked them to join me in terms of the salary reductions ... and they all agreed," Stelmach told a Calgary radio call-in show on CHQR Thursday.

Stelmach's chief of staff, as well as the head of the provincial civil service, are also taking a 10 per cent cut.

Members of the legislature voted to freeze their salaries in 2009-10, but only after an increase last year that boosted their annual pay between $36,000 and $39,000.

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News in brief

BEATING Officials at the University of Western Ontario in this southwestern Ontario city are defending the violent arrest of a student captured on a video circulating on YouTube. The video shows the student being held down in a campus building on Wednesday and pummelled by at least five campus and city police officers.

WWF REPORT A new report warns that Canada's rivers are at risk and some are even close to drying up due to the effects of climate change and growing demand for water and energy. The WWF-Canada report looks at the health of 10 major rivers from the perspective of water flow. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Illegal lobsters claw $20,000 from fisherman
A Nova Scotia fisherman has been fined $20,000 after the largest seizure of illegal lobsters in Canada. Earl Patrick Boudreau, 46, of Wedgeport, pleaded guilty to possessing 5,330 undersized lobsters. THE CANADIAN PRESS

It's cheque-mate, Liberals tell Tories

The Liberals are hitting the Tories in their cheque-books.

Liberals are complaining to the federal ethics commissioner over government use of taxpayer cheques bearing the Conservative party logo or Tory MPs' signatures.

Ethics Commissioner Mary Dawson is being asked to investigate 48 separate examples of promotional government cheques that Tory MPs used to tout stimulus spending for partisan gain.

The Liberals claim to have dug up 181 examples of partisan cheque presentations on which Conservative emblems overshadow the government logo.

To underscore their point, the Liberals held a news conference beneath a backdrop image of Prime Minister Stephen Harper made from a collage of photographs of the cheque presentations.

Harper has acknowledged party logos should not appear on cheques.

But his officials insist there's nothing wrong with Tory MPs presenting government cheques on which their own name, or Tory sloganeering, is the most prominent feature.

No, no, says Liberal MP David McGuinty.

That gives the false impression the Tories are paying for the projects.

"If the prime minister wants to have the Conservative party donate money to the people of Canada, we support him," he said.

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Oilsands firms get set for trouble

ACTIVISTS Imperial Oil Ltd. is looking at its security after high-profile occupations of Alberta oilsands projects by environmentalists.

Greenpeace protesters who took over a Shell plant near Edmonton and blocked production at a Suncor Energy upgrading refinery near Fort McMurray are changing the way firms think about protecting their projects.

"I think what we've seen with the Greenpeace excursions are elements that are very well planned out," Imperial chief executive Bruce March said in Calgary.

"They're very well prepared, they're effectively executed, they're very organized and that may be changing our thinking somewhat."

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News in brief

FAREWELL Manitoba Premier Gary Doer was to step down Saturday as party delegates get set to elect a new leader. Doer is to be Canada's ambassador to the U.S. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Ruth Sadler, left, her daughter Cindy, second from right, and Cindy's children Shara, Danielle and Maria are shown in a family photo. Ruth, 72, will carry the torch in Tofino, B.C., next month.

Ruth, 72, catches Olympic wave

GAMES The Olympic torch will catch a wave with one of Canada's few professional surfers when it arrives in Tofino, B.C., next month.

Ruth Sadler, a 72-year-old who still surfs the waves off Vancouver Island's rugged west coast, said she has been asked to carry the Olympic torch along a section that includes a part of the Pacific Rim National Park Reserve.

"I like her youth and spirit. She's just got a lot of energy."
Donna Fraser

She'll take the torch into the water, up to her hips, where she'll be met by Raph Bruhwiler riding a wave and provided the seas aren't too big, she'll hand over the flame.

"I'm excited about it," said Sadler, whose family played a key role in B.C.'s early surfing community.

"I think it's a real privilege to carry the torch."

Donna Fraser, Tofino's torch relay co-ordinator, said: "I like her youth and spirit. She's just got a lot of energy.

"She looks very youthful and acts youthful."

Ruth said she's exercising so she can keep fit. "I'm just making sure I get lots of walking in."

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Flu Outbreak

When a red flag spells danger

PANDEMIC A First Nation is being praised for a pandemic plan officials hope will help keep down cases of the H1N1 influenza virus (also known as swine flu).

Federal Health Minister Leona Aglukkaq says parts of the plan developed by the Cowesses First Nation in Saskatchewan could be used across the country.

She particularly likes the use of different coloured flags that can be hung on house doors.

For example, a red flag means that someone in the home has the flu, while a white flag means everything is OK.

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Man charged in alleged soccer scam

DREAMS An Ontario man is facing a fraud charge after hockey players dreaming of being scouted by European teams were left devastated. About 100 players paid about $2,800 each after they were allegedly told they might land spots on European teams. But when they arrived in Colmar, France, there were no teams, no scouts and no tournament, police say.

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Infamous Polish death camp launches Facebook page

The memorial museum at Auschwitz has launched a Facebook page, hoping that the popular social networking site will help it reach young people around the globe and engage them in discussions about the former Nazi death camp and the Holocaust. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

Well-heeled can buy gold with clothes

Glittering bait for the well-heeled shopper: Harrods department store has added gold bars to its merchandise line. The upmarket London store announced Thursday that it has joined with Swiss refiner Produits Artistiques Metaux Precieux to offer gold bars weighing 12.5 kilograms. The move comes as gold prices have been going through the roof. Based on Thursday's gold fixing price in New York, a gold bar would cost about $462,440 US. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

ICC launches investigation

GUINEA The International Criminal Court said Thursday it has launched a preliminary investigation into last month's violence at a Guinea sports stadium, where presidential guard troops of the African nation opened fire on tens of thousands of demonstrators. A human rights group says 157 people were killed and more than 1,200 wounded. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Italy denies Taliban bribes

Italy and NATO on Thursday denied a newspaper report that Italian intelligence secretly paid the Taliban thousands of dollars to keep the peace in an Afghan area under Italian control.

Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi's office called the report in the Times of London "completely groundless." The Italian defence minister denounced it as "rubbish" and said he wanted to sue the newspaper.

In Kabul, a U.S. spokesman for NATO forces in Afghanistan denied the allegations. "We don't do bribes," Col. Wayne Shanks said. "We don't pay the insurgents."

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"The article has unnamed sources, innuendo and hyperbole," Shanks said. "We see no evidence of any of the accusations."

The Times reported that Italy had paid "tens of thousands of dollars" to Taliban commanders and warlords in the Surobi district, east of the capital, Kabul. The newspaper cited Western military officials, including high-ranking officers at NATO, speaking on condition of anonymity.

It accused Rome of failing to inform its allies about the payments and of misleading the French, who took over the Surobi district in mid-2008, thinking the area was quiet and safe. Shortly afterward, French troops were hit with an ambush that killed 10 soldiers and had significant political repercussions back in Paris.

French Defence Ministry spokesman Christophe Prazuck said he had "no information to confirm what has been written in the Times" and stressed that allied troops share information. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nepal Go shorty, it's your birthday

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Nepal's shortest man Khagendra Thapa Magar, middle, plays a guitar as he celebrates his 18th birthday Wednesday. Magar, who is 50 centimetres tall and weighs 10 pounds, has applied to Guinness World Records to be named the world's shortest man.

News in brief

NORWAY Most members of the Norwegian Nobel Committee initially argued against awarding the 2009 Peace Prize to U.S. President Barack Obama before agreeing to the choice, Norweigan newspaper Verdens Gang said on Thursday. REUTERS

MEXICO Some Mexico City cops are taking a bite out of more than crime. The Mexican capital is putting its 1,300 of its heaviest police officers on a diet, concerned about rapidly expanding waistlines in the force. At least 70 per cent of the 70,000-member force is overweight, said Nora Frias, the city's Public Safety deputy secretary. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Literal pot-head nabbed: Police
Pennsylvania police say they caught a 29-year-old man inside a convenience store with a bag of marijuana stuck to his forehead. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

China backs Iran

Premier Wen Jiabao said Thursday that China intends to strengthen its co-operation with Iran, an indication Beijing would oppose growing calls in the West for additional sanctions against the Islamic regime for its nuclear program.

Wen's remarks Thursday appeared to suggest that Beijing is also unlikely to accept any new UN sanctions resolution. China and Russia are both veto-wielding members of the UN Security Council and have long defended Tehran by watering down resolutions.

Wen made his remarks during a meeting with Iran's visiting First Vice-President Mohammad Reza Rahimi, Foreign Ministry spokesman Ma Zhaoxu said. Rahimi was in Beijing to attend a meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization, a regional security grouping that includes China, Russia and four central Asian nations.

Wen said China was committed to promoting the peaceful settlement of the Iranian nuclear issue and playing a constructive role in the process, Ma said.

However, he gave no further details on what role China would play.

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Suspicion

- Earlier this month, Tehran revealed that it was operating a previously undisclosed uranium enrichment facility near the holy city of Qom, deepening suspicions in Europe and the U.S. that Tehran seeks atomic weapons.

South Africa **Demonstration gone wrong**

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Johannesburg Metro police officers look for demonstrators in the Diepsloot township, 30 kilometres north of Johannesburg, South Africa, Thursday. Hundreds of demonstrators protesting against poor services and lack of housing set up barricades in the township. Several protesters were wounded by rubber bullets fired by police.

Smoking bans work: Report

HEALTH A major U.S. report confirms what health officials long have believed — Bans on smoking in restaurants, bars and other gathering spots reduce the risk of heart attacks among nonsmokers.

"If you have heart disease, you really need to stay away from secondhand smoke. It's an immediate threat to your life," said Dr. Neal Benowitz, who co-wrote Thursday's report from the prestigious Institute of Medicine.

Among the report's conclusions: While heavier exposure to secondhand smoke is worse, there is no safe level. It also cited evidence that even less than an hour's exposure might be enough to push someone already at risk of a heart attack over the edge.

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News in brief

ABUSE A woman with bipolar disorder "forfeited" her right to be a mother when she served her children drugged hot chocolate before setting the house on fire, a judge said Thursday as he sentenced her to six to 20 years in prison.

CARAMBA! A new survey says Mexican adults curse an average age of 20 times a day, serving up about 1.3 billion swear words daily.

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Comment

Making an impact on communities

Al Hatton

With the passing of Thanksgiving, Canadians are unofficially entering the holiday season. Even with the economic downturn that struck last year, an Ipsos Reid poll found that eight in 10 Canadians maintained or increased charitable giving last Christmas. Even with this much-needed and appreciated generosity, the fact remains that poverty and its aggravating or consequent social problems remain a reality in Canada all year long.

According to the Canadian Council on Social Development, 3.4 million Canadians (11.2 per cent of the population) were living in poverty in 2004. Poverty rates were highest among children and youth under the age of 18.

While in a time of economic crisis, it is critical to continue to support those agencies and centres assisting those most in need. Leading academics, policy-makers, and front-line workers recognize the need for both fulfilling immediate needs of those in poverty and creating long-term solutions to alleviate poverty. It is the combination of both approaches that will lead to stronger, healthier communities and, therefore, a greater quality of life for all Canadians.

Eradicating Poverty

In advance of the holiday season there is the annual United Way-Centraide campaign (UW-C), run by the 118 United Ways-Centraides (UWs-Cs) across Canada. Next to governments, United Way-Centraide is the largest funder of social services in the country. Collectively, UWs-Cs raised upwards of $480 million last year to be reinvested in their communities.

The high-profile UW-C campaigns fulfil needs that otherwise would not be met. However, for the past few years, UWs-Cs have also been tackling the more challenging problem of reducing poverty.

That's why UW-C now focuses energy and resources to creating "community impact." Community impact is about achieving meaningful, long-term improvements to quality of life in Canadian communities. It's about making fundamental changes to community conditions.

UW-C understands how connected and interdependent we all are. Everyone wins when a child is nourished, when families are financially independent, and when all people have opportunities to live a good life. With each life that improves, everyone is strengthened — communities are stronger.

Al Hatton is president and chief executive officer of United Way of Canada — Centraide Canada.

Views

Poverty numbers enough to make you weep

UrbanCompass

Circle Oct. 19 on your calendar: The United Nations International Day for the Eradication of Poverty. The focus this year: Child poverty.

Of course, you can circle the date until you're blue in the face and it won't eradicate poverty. Sometimes it seems nothing works: You can line up all the Bob Geldofs and Bonos until they reach the moon, and there are still, according to the UN, 1.02 billion people in the world who go to bed hungry every night: 24,000 children a day die of hunger-related diseases — one every 3.6 seconds.

Here in B.C., we have the highest rates of poverty and child poverty in the country. A half-million British Columbians fall below the line.

I'm probably not much different than you. When I see these grim statistics, I wince and wonder what to do. And then I get busy and forget. Well, not completely — at Christmas I've stopped sending wine and fruit baskets to clients and now send Oxfam Unwrapped gifts, donations that go to alleviate poverty in some of the poorest places on Earth.

But I have to admit the numbers make me want to weep. Every word I write, another kid dies … what good are words?

It's easy to get discouraged. It's also easy to get angry. What are we doing spending $6 billion on bobsled games when we have the highest rate of child poverty in the country?

This is not productive thinking. Poverty and need have dug in and won't loosen their grip. Poverty and need don't mind when we get discouraged — it makes their job easier.

Which is why it's important to circle the date. But don't stop there. On Oct. 19, buy a donkey, donate to the food bank, or send Bono an encouraging email, donation attached.

And whatever you do, never forget what happens every 3.6 seconds.

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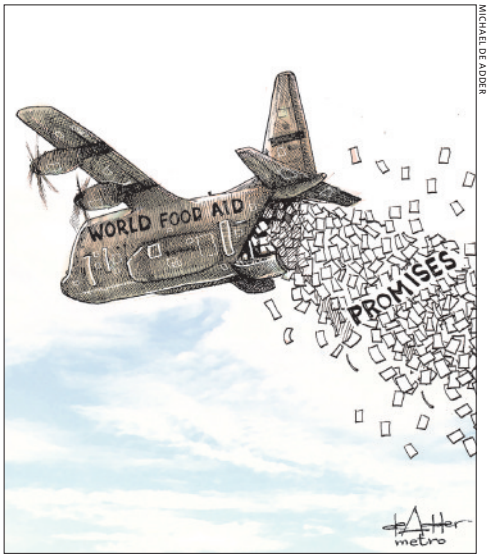

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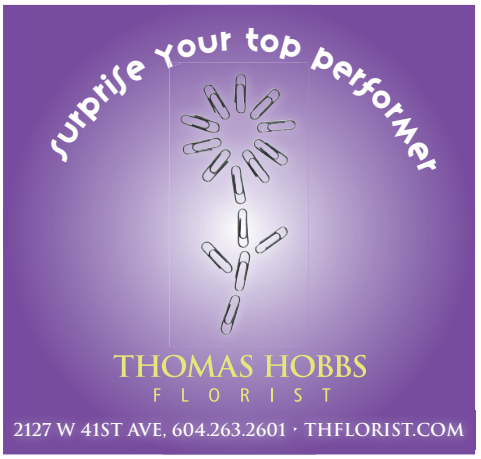

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Tale of two economies

Canada's exports stagger, housing booms

New reports show Canada is a tale of two economies: while the housing sector appears to be booming, manufacturing continues to lag.

The Canadian Real Estate Association says sales of existing homes during the third quarter were among the strongest on record.

National home resales through the Multiple Listing Service owned by Canada's realtors totalled 135,182 in the third quarter of 2009, up 18 per cent from a year earlier and the most of any third quarter on record. It was also the biggest year-over-year gain since early 2002 — another sign the housing market is returning to health.

The seasonally adjusted tally was 127,941 homes resold, up 12 per cent from the second quarter and 48 per cent higher than the fourth quarter of 2008.

But it's a different story for the export-oriented manufacturing sector, where Statistics Canada says factory shipments fell 2.1 per cent in August as the activity from the U.S. cash-for-clunkers program subsided. And the outlook for Canada's shrinking export is growing darker with the loonie's recent surge. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Business in brief

TRADING Canwest Global Communications announced Thursday it had received notice of delisting from the Toronto Stock Exchange effective at market close Nov. 13, 2009. Trading in Canwest shares, which sit at 23.5 cents, is to remain suspended. The media conglomerate's stock was halted Oct. 5 when it filed for creditor protection. The company made its first court appearance in Toronto Wednesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Pastrana to test car jump record

For his latest stunt, Travis Pastrana will be going over the water, not into it. The freestyle motocross star and rally car champion will attempt to break the world record for the longest jump in a car when he jumps from the Pine Street Pier in Long Beach, Calif., onto a barge anchored in the harbour on New Year's Eve. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sports

Pujols non-committal

Slugger Albert Pujols, left, says the St. Louis Cardinals are interested in extending his contract during the winter. Pujols told a Dominican radio station Wednesday that he is in no rush to make a decision. He still has a year left on his contract for 2010 and a club option for 2011. He is in the running to be named the National League's most valuable player. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Sports in brief

NBA LeBron James and Cleveland Cavaliers teammates Darnell Jackson and Coby Karl have tested positive for influenza A, and are being treated as if they have the H1N1 virus.

NFL Conservative radio personality Rush Limbaugh lashed out at NFL union leader DeMaurice Smith, Al Sharpton, Jesse Jackson and the media a day after being dropped from a group trying to buy the St. Louis Rams. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Simon getting warmed up

After slow start, Lions vet starts posting big numbers

The weather's getting colder on the Prairies but that's fine with slotback Geroy Simon of the B.C. Lions.

"I feel I've been doing the same things all year but I'm just getting more opportunities in better spots and just taking advantage of them." Geroy Simon

The five-time CFL all-star is just getting warmed up as the Lions prepare to play Sunday in Winnipeg and next week in Regina.

Simon completed his first back-to-back 100-yard receiving games of the season last week in snowy Edmonton with a 62-yard touchdown reception for a 34-31 win over the Eskimos.

The 11-year veteran, who celebrates touchdowns with a Superman pose in the end zone, split two defenders to grab the aerial from quarterback Buck Pierce with 12 seconds remaining.

"That play kind of sums up the person that he is," Pierce said Thursday at the Lions suburban practice facility. "He's a guy you can count on in tough situations. He's made lots of catches like that in his career."

Simon started slowly for the second straight season but his 170 receiving yards against Edmonton and 134 against Saskatchewan placed him third among CFL receivers with 952.

He's 81 yards behind leader Fred Stamps of Edmonton.

"I feel I've been doing the same things all year but I'm just getting more opportunities in better spots and just taking advantage of them," said Simon, who won league MVP honours in 2004 and 2006.

His 100-yard efforts helped the Lions win two in a row against divisional opponents and allowed them to claw their way to a .500 record at 7-7 for the first time this season. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Deja vu for Dodgers, as Phillies win

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Phillies 8 Dodgers 6

Phillies AT Dodgers

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Los Angeles shortstop Rafael Furcal catches Philadelphia's Shane Victorino in a rundown while trying to steal second during Game 1 of the National League championship series on Thursday.

Brad Lidge and the Philadelphia Phillies picked up where they left off a year ago against the Dodgers in the NL championship series.

Carlos Ruiz and Raul Ibanez hit three-run homers, reliever Ryan Madson got a key out and Lidge finished the Phillies' 8-6 victory over Los Angeles in Game 1 Thursday night.

Manny Ramirez homered, but grounded out weakly with two runners on against a struggling Madson to end the Dodgers' two-run rally in the eighth.

Lidge then worked around a single and a walk in the ninth, making him for 3-for-3 in save chances this post-season — he posted three saves against the Dodgers in last year's NLCS.

Home runs dominated on both sides in a game that lasted four hours two minutes. Ruiz highlighted a five-run burst in the fifth and Ibanez homered in the eighth for an 8-4 lead. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Chan withdraws from figure skating event
Canadian Patrick Chan has withdrawn from next week's ISU Grand Prix figure skating event in Russia because of a tear in his left calf. Chan hopes to compete as scheduled at the HomeSense Skate Canada International in Kitchener, Ont., Nov. 19-22. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Whitecaps need to win on the road

USL-1 FINAL

Vancouver at Montreal

AT

The Vancouver Whitecaps look to overcome a one-goal deficit and defend their USL First Division championship title when they visit Canadian rivals Montreal Impact in Saturday's second leg of the 2009 USL-1 Championship Series.

Coach Teitur Thordarson's side travel east to Quebec and the decisive leg of the two-match final trailing 3-2 on aggregate following last Saturday's first-leg defeat at Swangard Stadium.

Despite two second-half goals by Marcus Haber and substitute Marlon James, the Impact claimed a one-goal advantage for the second match at Montreal's Stade Saputo. It was Vancouver's first playoff defeat of 2009 and the club's second defeat in their last 15 league matches, with both of those defeats coming against Montreal.

The Whitecaps, who squeaked into the seventh and final playoff spot and then upset Portland and Carolina in the playoffs, are certainly not hanging their heads.

"Our whole season has been an underdog deal," said midfielder Wes Knight. "We can play with nothing to lose.

"We can come into this stadium and just give it our all. And a team that is as resilient as we have been can perform better when we have our backs to the wall."

The aggregate scoreline leaves the Blue and White needing to claim their first away win in USL-1 since July 31, if they are to retain their championship title. That day, the Whitecaps won 3-1 in Rochester against the Rhinos.

The Whitecaps also head to Montreal with their captain Martin Nash unavailable. The experienced playmaker will miss the second leg after being red carded in the first leg following a late challenge on Impact striker Roberto Brown.

The Whitecaps are looking to win a third USL-1 championship and fourth North American title since winning the 1979 North American Soccer League championship.

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Sports in brief

FORMULA ONE Fernando Alonso downplayed comments made by future Ferrari teammate Felipe Massa, who accused him of knowing Nelson Piquet Jr. was going to deliberately crash at the 2008 Singapore Grand Prix to help him win the race. Massa told local media on Wednesday that "without a doubt" Alonso knew of Renault's plan to have Piquet Jr. crash, but later backtracked and issued a statement on Ferrari's website saying what he said was "the outcome of a hunch" and was not "based on any concrete evidence."

WORLD CUP FIFA president Sepp Blatter has reportedly told Vladimir Putin that Russia has a "good chance" of winning the hosting rights to the 2018 or 2022 World Cup. Russian news agencies say Blatter met with the prime minister in Moscow Thursday, and praised Russia's bid.

SOCCER Manchester City forward Robinho would reportedly like to play for Barcelona. The Brazil international, who has been linked with the Spanish champions, has spent just over a season at Manchester City. The 25-year-old Robinho has made only three Premier League appearances so far this season due to an ankle injury. He previously played for Real Madrid.

BLACKOUT The Oakland Raiders' home game against the Philadelphia Eagles on Sunday will be blacked out locally because the team did not sell out the game in time. Games need to be sold out 72 hours before kickoff to avoid a blackout in a 120-kilometre radius.

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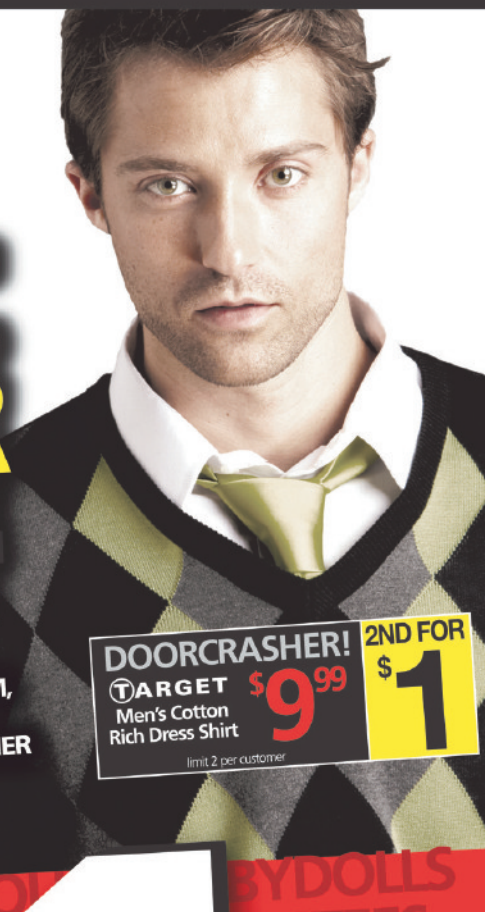

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Face off

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Wild Things a beautifully messy film about childhood.

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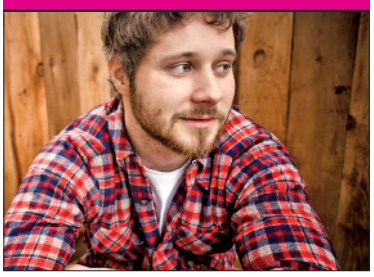

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Citizen sticks to rules

Law Abiding **Citizen**

Director: F. Gary Gray
Stars: Jamie Foxx, Gerard Butler, Viola Davis
Classification: 14A
Rating: ⊕⊕½

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Gerard Butler seeks revenge for the death of his family in Law Abiding Citizen.

Law Abiding Citizen is an efficient, high-concept thriller that hits enough of the right notes to entertain, but doesn't quite work as well as it should.

The screenplay is filled with twists, but unfortunately most of them are obvious. The suspense sequences are well crafted, but don't really offer anything new.

It's an easy way to kill a few hours, just don't expect to be raving about a new genre classic when it is over.

This is a fast food kind of movie. It goes down smooth, but offers nothing substantial afterwards beyond an icky aftertaste.

Jamie Foxx and Gerard Butler face off as a career-focused attorney and criminal mastermind respectively. Bulter's wife and child are murdered in the opening scene and Foxx's lawyer strikes up a plea bargain with one of the lowlifes responsible to further his career.

Ten years later Butler launches an insanely complicated revenge plot that sees nearly everyone involved with the case have their life threatened while Butler is locked up in prison and seemingly powerless.

The premise isn't bad, it just stretches believability pretty far and holds few surprises.

Foxx and Butler are superstars of the moment and do a decent job with their roles, but never get a chance to stretch beyond playing established character types. This was most likely a paycheck movie for both, but at least neither of them phoned in their performance.

Director F. Gary Grey knows how to use the camera and stages a few eye-popping set pieces tailor made for MTV-raised audiences, but the movie never gels as a whole.

Unfortunately none of the talent involved can raise the material above the clichéd screenplay, nor does it even feel like a decent B-movie.

Law Abiding Citizen is neither surprisingly good nor disappointingly bad; it's just thoroughly mediocre.

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Hyped Cairo Time a modest romance

Cairo **Time**

Director: Ruba Nadda
Stars: Patricia Clarkson, Alexander Siddig
Classification: STC
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕½

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

Patricia Clarkson and Alexander Siddig star in Cairo Time.

REVIEW Winner of the Best Canadian Feature prize at TIFF, Ruba Nadda's Cairo Time is being hyped to the moon as this fall's homegrown theatrical hit, but please don't hold that against it.

There's nothing nearly so aggressive in the film, which orbits Juliette, a Canadian magazine editor stranded on vacation in the eponymous Egyptian capital while her husband toils for the United Nations. She's played by Patricia Clarkson, an actress with a knack for inhabiting plausibly intelligent characters: she does an excellent job of modulating Juliette's culture shock without turning her into a naïf.

The first movements of Cairo Time are very much a one woman show, but Clarkson eventually gets a worthy screen partner in Alexander Siddig, who plays Tareq, a soulful, slightly doleful coffee house manager who becomes Juliette's escort through the bustling streets and then a possible romantic option as her husband's absence drags on.

The Brief Encounter set-up and evocation of vacation time-melancholy clearly recall Lost in Translation. But while Nadda lacks Sofia Coppola's off-hand visual sophistication, she's also a more mature filmmaker, with no stomach for poor-little–rich-girl affectations.

Clarkson may be playing an outsider, but it's clear that Nadda has a feeling for the city and its rhythms that elides simple exoticism, and ace cinematographer Luc Montpellier locates a textural sweet spot pitched bewitchingly between glittering and gritty.

Perhaps Cairo Time isn't much more than a good-looking, well-acted contemporary romantic drama, but that's fine: Its modesty is becoming.

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Peter Travers, ROLLING STONE
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Stephen Garrett, ESQUIRE
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"SERIOUSLY AWESOME!"

Roger Ebert, CHICAGO SUN-TIMES
"★★★★! RICH AND VERY FUNNY!"
Praise the Coen Brothers!"

Michael Phillips, AT THE MOVIES
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Red Riding remake in works

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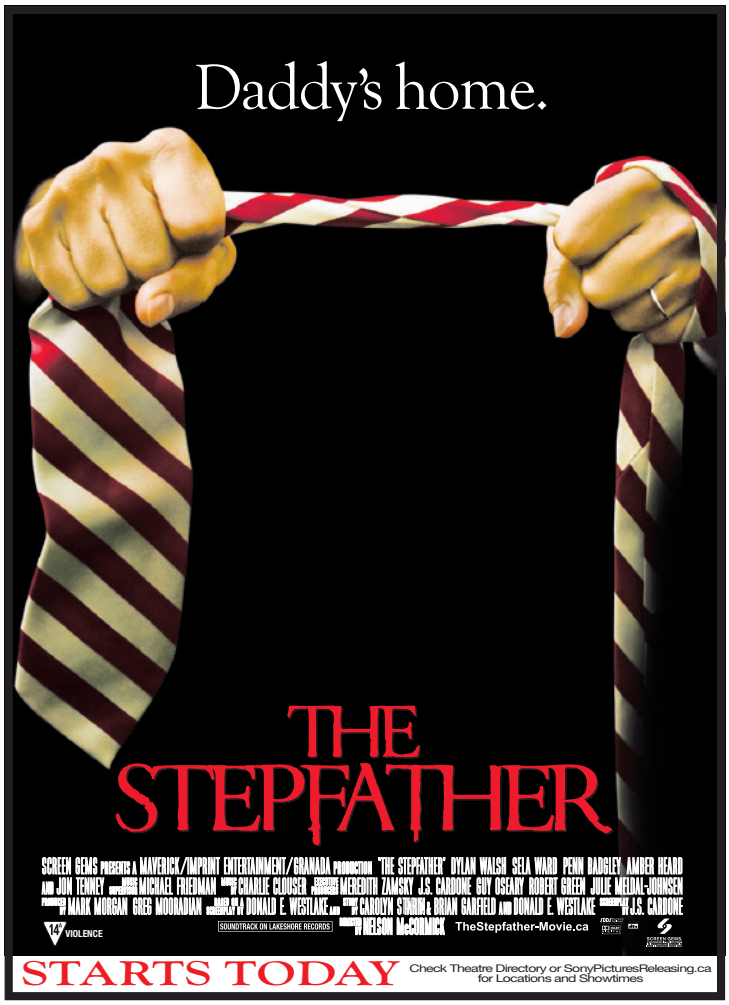

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Wild thing of beauty

Where The Wild Things Are

Director: Spike Jonze
Stars: Catherine Keener, Max Records
Classification: PG
Rating: ●●●●½

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

Max Records stars in Where The Wild Things Are.

Adapting a much-beloved children's book into a feature film is no small task, especially when that book contains only 10 sentences.

In Spike Jonze's Where the Wild Things Are, the bare-bones story — recalcitrant Max (Max Records) is sent to his room by his exhausted mother (Catherine Keener), only to escape to a fantasy realm filled with massive, unpredictable creatures who crown him their king — is still there, and the massive puppets with computer-enhanced faces beautifully realize the two-dimension drawings in Mauric Sendak's original. But there's much more in the film.

The fact that the line between fantasy and reality is so blurred is key in transporting the audience along with Max. Because to him this is all very real, and it should be to us as well. Although the realm he enters is one of fantasy and allegory, the textures and visuals are rendered with striking clarity, thanks to some impressive scenic design and camera-work. It doesn't hurt that the cast voicing the looming, lurching wild things is top-notch, including James Gandolfini, Catherine O'Hara, Chris Cooper, Lauren Ambrose and Forest Whitaker.

But the movie rests on the slight shoulders of newcomer Records. It's a lot to ask of a kid, but Records is a natural, channeling Jonze's vision beautifully. Rarely has the tumultuous feeling of childhood, with all its swirling, outsize emotions, been so accurately put to film.

Of course, the downside to adapting such a famous work is that everyone coming in has their own expectations and attachments to the story, and that is where the film may falter. As the filmmakers have made clear, this isn't a children's movie. It's a movie about childhood. And childhood is messy.

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Plain overwrought melodrama

The Burning Plain

Director: Guillermo Arriaga
Stars: Charlize Theron, Kim Basinger
Classification: STC
Rating: ●½

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Kim Basinger stars in The Burning Plain.

REVIEW Guillermo Arriaga's screenplays for Babel and 21 Grams are among the most compelling multi-narratives of recent memory. However, one should always remember that it was also Oscar-nominated director Alejandro González Iñárritu who made spectacle of such entangled plots.

With The Burning Plain, Arriaga makes his directorial debut and cannot lean on Iñárritu to bail him out from his own vapid characters or overwrought, melodramatic storyline.

Juggling three relationships and their own unique perspective, The Burning Plain begins with a shot of a rundown mobile home in flames in the middle of the desert. Just as quickly, the story turns to Charlize Theron playing an angst-filled Oregon restaurant manager who manages to run a successful business despite her own self-destructive behaviour.

Her secret begins unraveling once we're introduced to matriarch Gina (Kim Basinger) whose adulterous affair with a Mexican named Nick is doomed for destruction. Suspicious and confused, her daughter starts up her own forbidden relationship with Nick's son while a strange hospitalized pilot wants to introduce his daughter to her mother.

Confused? Well, don't be. Instead of spoiling the so-called twists, I'll let you figure it out ten minutes into the film since that's how early the connections between plotlines become pretty clear. That'll leave you with about 100 minutes to sit and watch close-ups of agonized faces you don't particularly care about staring off into no discernible space presumably intending to insinuate the greater mystery you figured out from the opening shot of the movie.

Movies

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Serious return to form

A Serious Man
Directors: Ethan Coen, Joel Coen
Stars: Michael Stuhlbarg
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●●½

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

There were a lot of mixed reviews about last year's Burn After Reading but there should be no doubt that the Oscar-winning Coen brothers have returned to form with A Serious Man.

More in line with the sibling auteurs' earlier works such as Fargo or even Barton Fink, the quirky comedy focuses on a meek Jewish physics professor named Larry Gopnick (Michael Stuhlbarg) whose perfect late-'60s suburban life suddenly and inexplicably turns against him: His wife wants a divorce, his children no longer respect him, the sexy neighbour torments him by sunbathing nude and he's being blackmailed at work while his tenure is in jeopardy and that's just the beginning.

Mark Stuhlbarg plays the lead in A Serious Man.

Needless to say, Gopnick finds his life spiraling into a spiritual abyss, leaving him to turn to the advice of three hapless rabbis with the hopes that they can solve his crisis and explain how to become "a serious man".

If that sounds somewhat philosophical, that's because the Coen brothers question notions of faith and meaning in what they've described as their "most personal work yet."

As with most of their films, their rich, surreal characters often have more bubbling under the surface than what first appears, allowing them a mystery to escape farce and elicit deep contemplation.

Ditching big stars in favour of lesser-known Yiddish thespians certainly gives the superb comedy an added authenticity but Stuhlbarg steals the film playing a man who maintains a brash optimism even amidst his darkest hour.

A Serious Man is seriously fine filmmaking.

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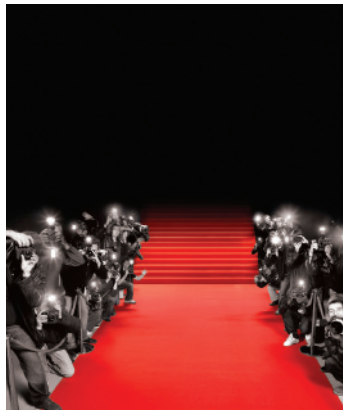

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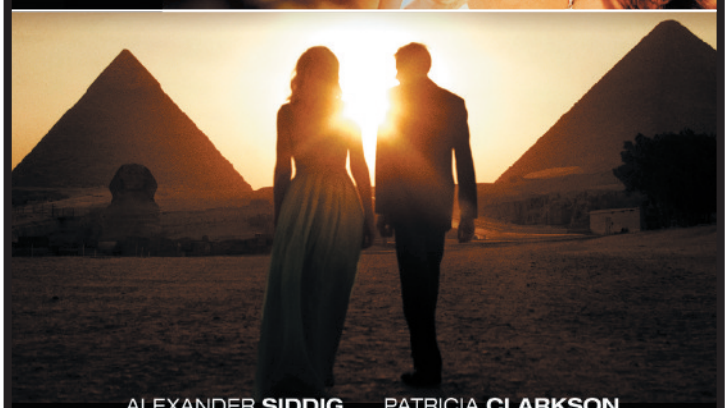

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Chris Rock combs out bigger issues from the lighweight topic of coiffure culture in Good Hair.

From roots to race

Good **Hair**

Director: Chris Rock
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●

RICHARD CROUSE
for Metro Canada

On the surface Good Hair sounds like the thinnest idea for a movie since Andy Warhol documented 24 hours in the life of the Empire State Building using only one static shot.

Comedian Chris Rock's look at the African-American hair industry could have been a bit on the gimmicky side but he and director Jeff Stilson wring every ounce of interest from the subject.

Inspired by his young daughter asking, "Daddy, how come I don't have good hair?," Rock uses gentle humour to examine the relationship black women have with their hair. He interviews everyone from teen star Raven-Symoné to author Maya Angelou to decipher why and how African-American women go to such lengths to modify their hair. They discuss weaves — hair extensions described as "the graduation of the wig" — and relaxer, a potion used to straighten hair for a more "European look" that several women refer to as "creamy crack" because of their dependence on the toxic balm.

It's all rather light and breezy and would be kind of inconsequential if Rock and company hadn't broadened the film to examine how hair care in the African-American community became a billion dollar industry and why more of the businesses that feed this industry aren't black owned.

"There's something wrong when we can't control something as basic as the hair on our heads," says Al Sharpton (called the "Dalai Lama of Relaxer").

Good Hair works because it cleverly uses a study of African-American hair culture as the gateway to examine larger issues of race without ever sounding preachy or pedantic.

Is it perfect? No, a hair competition that bookends the film could easily have been shortened or cut altogether, but it's worth the price of admission to watch Rock talk hair — male and female — with the folks at a barbershop or hear Ice-T talking about getting a mug shot taken while wearing curlers.

Ultimately Good Hair's most important message is summed up by Al Sharpton who says, "The stuff on top of their heads isn't as important as the stuff inside their heads."

Whole lotta guitar love

It Might **Get Loud**

Director: David Guggenheim
Stars: Jack White, Jimmy Page, The Edge
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Make no mistake, It Might Get Loud is a vanity project.

The movie is comprised of little more than three rich white men getting together to pat each other on the back and talk about electric guitars.

In theory it should be unwatchably indulgent, but somehow it works. In Jimmy Page, The Edge and Jack White, director David Guggenheim managed to find three personalities just different enough to make the combination compelling.

There's not much to the movie beyond watching the star musicians talking shop and having a jam session, but it works.

Guggenheim intercuts personal interviews with the three guitarists as well as a single meeting in Los Angeles in which they make chitchat and play a little music together.

The cameras follow Page, White and The Edge into their homes, letting them talk about their lives and history as musicians as well as their philosophies about music.

The meeting of the three rock stars doesn't take up much of the running time as it was probably more interesting for the participants than the audience. Everything about the film is clearly staged and planned with very few candid moments (if any). But with any documentary about celebrities at this level, that's just to be expected.

So what's the point of It Might Get Loud?

It's difficult to say. There probably isn't one beyond celebrating the joys of playing rock and roll and that's enough.

These guys love what they do and share an appreciation for their craft that is contagious.

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OMNIMAX THEATRE SCIENCE WORLD
1455 Quebec St., 604-443-7443

Adrenaline Rush: The Science of Risk (STC) Fri-Thu 1 Sat 7:30
Beavers (STC) Fri-Thu 11-3
Journey to Mecca in the Footsteps of Ibn Battuta (STC) Fri-Thu 12-2:4 Fri-Sat
Van Gogh: Brush With Genius (STC) Fri-Thu 5 Fri 7:30

DUNBAR THEATRE
4555 Dunbar Street, 604-222-2991

Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri 4:7-9:15 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:7-9:15 Mon-Thu 7-9:15

FIFTH AVENUE CINEMAS
2110 Burrard Street, 604-734-7469

Bright Star (G) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:40-7:15-9:40
Cairo Time (STC) Fri-Thu 1-3-5:7:25-9:30
Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:15-7-9:35
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri-Tue 1:10-4:6:50-9:20 Wed-Thu 1:10-4-9:20
Whip It (PG) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:30-7:10-9:25

GRANVILLE
855 Granville St., 604-684-4000

9 (PG) Sat-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 5:40-8:50
Blue (STC) Sat-Sun 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:25 Mon-Thu 5:10-8:25
The Boys Are Back (PG) Sat-Sun 1-4-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 5:30-8:40
Fame (PG) Sat-Sun 12:55-3:55-6:55-9:20 Mon-Thu 5:25-8:20
Julie & Julia (PG) Sat-Sun 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:30 Mon-Thu 5:15-8:30
Love Happens (PG) Sat 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:35 Sun 12:50-3:50-9:35 Mon-Thu 5:20-8:35
Trailer Park Boys: Countdown to Liquor Day (18A) Sat-Sun 1:05-4:05-7:05-9:45 Mon-Thu 5:35-8:45
Vancouver International Film Festival (STC) A.M. Fri 10:30

HOLLYWOOD THEATRE
3123 W. Broadway, 604-738-3211
hollywoodtheatre.ca

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Fri 7:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-7:30 Mon-Wed 7:30
My Sister's Keeper (PG) Fri 10:05 Sat-Sun 4:05-10:05 Mon-Thu 10:05
Rowed Trip: A Journey From Scotland to Syria (STC) Thu 8

OAKRIDGE
650 West 41st Ave., 604-263-1944

Couples Retreat (PG) DTS Digital Fri 7:15-10 DTS Digital Sat-Sun 1:45-4:30-7:15-10 DTS Digital Mon-Thu 5:15-8:15
Where the Wild Things Are (G) No Passes, Dolby Stereo Digital Fri 7-9:30 No Passes, Dolby Stereo Digital Sat-Sun 1:30-4-7-9:30 No Passes, Dolby Stereo Digital Mon-Thu 5-8
Zombieland (18A) DTS Digital Fri 7:30-9:45 DTS Digital Sat-Sun 2-4:45-7:30-9:45 DTS Digital Mon-Thu 5:30-8:30

PACIFIC CINÉMATHÈQUE
1131 Howe Street, 604-688-3456
cinematheque.bc.ca

Dillinger Is Dead (STC) Thu 9:20
Dim (STC) Mon 7:30
New Hyperion, or Liberty, Equality, Brotherhood (STC) Sun 6
Vancouver International Film Festival (STC) Fri
Wallace & Gromit: The Curse of the Were-Rabbit (G) Sun 1
You, the Living (STC) Thu 7:30
Young Freud in Gaza (STC) Wed 7:30

PARK THEATRE
3440 Cambie Street, 604-876-2747

A Serious Man (PG) Fri 4-7-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:30-4-7-9:20 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:20

RIDGE THEATRE
3131 Arbutus Street, 604-738-6311

The Informant! (PG) Fri 4-7-9:20 Sat-Sun 1:30-4-7-9:20 Mon-Thu 4-7-9:20
Twin Spirits: The Royal Opera House, Covent Garden (STC) A.M. Sat 10

RIO ON BROADWAY
1660 E. Broadway, 604-878-Film
riotheatre.ca

Repo Man (STC) Fri 12
Sid & Nancy (STC) Fri
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri 7-9:30 Sat 1-3-7-9:30 Sun 1-3-5-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 7-9:30

SCOTIABANK THEATRE VANCOUVER
900 Burrard St., 604-630-1407

Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Wed 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50 Thu 12:50-3:50-9:50
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:20 Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:30
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Tue 2-6:30-10 Wed 2-10 Thu 2-6:30-10
Jack Johnson (STC) Wed 7
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:10
Monty Python: Almost the Truth - The Lawyers Cut (PG) Thu 7
Paranormal Activity (STC) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-2:40-5-7:40-10:15 No Passes Fri-Sat 12:01
Surrogates (PG) Fri-Wed 1:40-4:40-7:50-10:30 Thu 1:40-4:40-7:50
Where the Wild Things Are (G) No Passes Fri 4-7-9:45 No Passes Sat 10:15-1-4-7-9:45 No Passes Sun-Thu 1-4-7-9:45
Zombieland (18A) Fri-Wed 12:15-2:30-4:45-7:10-9:40 Thu 10:25 Thu 12:15-2:30-4:45-6:50

TINSELTOWN
International Village, 88 West Pender, 3rd floor, 604-806-0799
cinemark.com

The Burning Plain (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 2-4:35-7:10-9:40
Cairo Time (STC) No Passes Fri-Tue 2:35-4:50-7:05-9:25 No Passes Wed 2:35-4:50-9:25 No Passes Thu 2:35-4:50-7:05-9:25
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (G) Fri-Thu 1-3:10-5:20
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (G) Fri-Thu 2:20-4:40-7-9:20
District 9 (18A) No Passes Fri-Tue 7:30-10:05 No Passes Wed 10:05 No Passes Thu 7:30-10:05
The Informant! (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:40-4:25-7:15-9:50
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Thu 2:30-5-7:20-9:45
It Might Get Loud (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 2:50-5:10-7:40-10
A Serious Man (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:45-3-4:15-5:30-6:45-8-9:15-10:30
The Stepfather (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:30-2:45-4-5:15-6:30-7:45-9-10:15
Whip It (PG) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:30-7:35-10:10

VANCITY THEATRE
Vancouver International Film Centre
1181 Seymour Street, 604-683-Film, vifc.org

Vancouver International Film Festival (STC) Fri

VAN EAST CINEMA
2290 Commercial Drive, 604-251-1313
vaneast.com

Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri 7-9:30 Sat-Sun 4:30-7-9:30 Mon-Thu 7-9:30

NORTH SHORE

ESPLANADE 6
200 West Esplanade, 604-983-2762

The Informant! (PG) Fri 6:50 Sat-Sun 1:50-4:15-6:50 Mon-Thu 6:50
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 7:10-9:45 Sat-Sun 1:35-3:50-7:10-9:45 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:45
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 7-9:35 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:20-7-9:35 Mon-Thu 7-9:35
Surrogates (PG) Fri-Thu 9:25
Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Fri 7:35 Sat-Sun 2-7:35 Mon-Thu 7:35
Where the Wild Things Are (G) No Passes Fri 6:40-9:20 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:30-4:10-6:40-9:20 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:40-9:20
Zombieland (18A) Fri 7:40-9:50 Sat-Sun 1:45-4:7:40-9:50 Mon-Thu 7:40-9:50

PARK & TILFORD
333 Brooksbank Ave., 604-985-3911

Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri 7-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:20-3:20-7-9:40 Mon-Thu 7-9:40 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (G) Fri 7:10-9:20 Sat-Sun 12-2:30-4:45-7:10-9:20 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:20
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 6:50-9:45 Sat-Sun 12:10-3:50-6:50-9:45 Mon-Thu 6:50-9:45 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Fame (PG) Fri 6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Tue 6:30-9:30 Wed-Thu 9:30
Monty Python: Almost the Truth - The Lawyers Cut (PG) Thu 7
The Stepfather (14A) No Passes Fri 6:55-9:50 No Passes Sat-Sun 12:50-3:40-6:55-9:50 No Passes Mon-Thu 6:55-9:50
Whip It (PG) Fri 6:40-10 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:10-6:40-10 Mon-Thu 6:40-10

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RICHMOND CENTRE 6
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Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (G) Fri 4:05-6:55-9:30 Sat 1:50-4:05-6:55-9:30 Sun 1:50-4:05-6:55 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:55
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 4:10-7-9:40 Sat 1:30-4:10-7-9:40 Sun 1:30-4:10-7 Mon-Thu 4:10-7
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 7:15-9:55 Sat 1:45-7:15-9:55 Sun 1:45-7:15 Mon-Thu 7:15
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 4:20-7:10-9:50 Sat 1:40-4:20-7:10-9:50 Sun 1:40-4:20-7:10 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:10
Surrogates (PG) Fri-Thu 4:25
Where the Wild Things Are (G) No Passes Fri 4:7:05-9:35 No Passes Sat 1:35-4-7:05-9:35 No Passes Sun 1:35-4-7:05 No Passes Mon-Thu 4-7:05
Zombieland (18A) Fri 4:15-7:20-9:45 Sat 1:55-4:15-7:20-9:45 Sun 1:55-4:15-7:20 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:20

SILVERCITY RIVERPORT
14211 Entertainment Way, 604-272-7280

Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:15-6:35-9:30
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (G) Fri-Thu 12:15-2:35-4:55-7:20-9:45
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Wed 12:30-1-3:20-4:05-7:7:30-9:55-10:25 Thu 12:30-3:20-4:05-7:7:30-9:55-10:25 Star & Strollers Screening Sat 10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
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The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:40-6:40-9:40
Jack Johnson (STC) Wed 7
Jennifer's Body (14A) Fri-Thu 10:25
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 12:35-1:10-3:25-4:7:15-7:45-10:05-10:35
Monty Python: Almost the Truth - The Lawyers Cut (PG) Thu 7
The Stepfather (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:25-4:20-7:50-10:30
Surrogates (PG) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:25-7:10-9:35
Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Fri-Thu 12:45-6:30
Where the Wild Things Are (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:35-7:25-10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Sat 10
Where the Wild Things Are: The IMAX Experience (G) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:30
Whip It (PG) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:55-6:55-9:55
Zombieland (18A) Fri-Thu 12:55-1:30-3:50-4:05-7:30-8:05-10:15-10:40

BURNABY

DOLPHIN CINEMAS
4555 E. Hastings St., 604-293-0332

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (G) Fri 7-9 Sat-Sun 1-3-5-7-9 Mon-Thu 7-9
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Fri 7-9 Sat-Sun 1-3-5-7-9 Mon-Thu 7-9

SILVERCITY METROPOLIS
4700 Kingsway Ave., 604-435-7474

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (G) Fri-Thu 11:45-2:05-4:30-6:50-9:20
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:35-7:20-10:15
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Thu 1:10-3:50-7:05-9:45
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-10
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Surrogates (PG) Fri 2:25-4:45-7:15-9:35 Sat-Thu 12-2:25-4:45-7:15-9:35
Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Fri 11:30-3:30-7:40 Sat 3:30-7:40 Sun 11:30-3:30-7:40 Mon 12-3:50-7:40 Tue-Thu 11:30-3:30-7:40
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Whip It (PG) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:40-6:45-9:55
Zombieland (18A) Fri-Thu 12:15-2:30-5-7:30-9:50

STATION SQUARE
220-6200 McKay Ave., 604-434-7711

9 (PG) Fri 4:40-7:30 Sat 1:40-4:40-7:30 Sun 1:40-4:40 Mon-Thu 4:40
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The Informant! (PG) Fri 4:15-7:15-10:15 Sat 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:15 Sun 1:15-4:15-7:15 Mon-Thu 4:15-7:15
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Sat 9:35 Sun-Thu 7:30
Jennifer's Body (14A) Fri 4:25-7:25-10:25 Sat 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 Sun 1:25-4:25-7:25 Mon-Thu 4:25-7:25
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri 4-7:10 Sat 1-4-7:10 Sun 1-4-7 Mon-Thu 4-7
The Time Traveler's Wife (PG) Fri 4:20-7:20-10:20 Sat 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20 Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20 Mon-Thu 4:20-7:20

NEW WEST/ COQUITLAM

SILVERCITY COQUITLAM
170 Schoolhouse Street, 604-523-2911

Bright Star (G) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:50-7:15-10:15
Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:45-6:50-9:45
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (G) Fri-Thu 11:45-2:05-4:30-7-9:35
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-1-3-4:15-6:45-7:30-9:40-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Sat 10
District 9 (18A) Fri-Thu 1:35-4:35-7:25-10:15
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Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Thu 12:40-4:10-8
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-4:10-7:15-10:25
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 12:35-1:10-3:45-4:05-7:10-7:40-9:55-10:35
Monty Python: Almost the Truth - The Lawyers Cut (PG) Thu 7
The Stepfather (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:45-10:35
Surrogates (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-4:05-7:25-10:40
Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Fri-Thu 11:55-3:55-7:55
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SURREY/WHITE ROCK/LANGLEY

CLOVA
5732-176th St., Surrey, 604-541-9527

(500) Days of Summer (PG) Fri-Wed 8:55
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Wed 7
Julie & Julia (PG) Thu 7
Ponyo (G) Sat-Sun 1:30

HOLLYWOOD 3 CINEMA
7125-138th Street, Surrey, 604-592-4441

District 9 (18A) Fri 8:30 Sun-Thu 8:30
G-Force (G) Fri 4:30 Sat-Sun 2:30-4:30 Mon-Thu 4:30
G.I. Joe: The Rise of Cobra (14A) Fri-Thu 4
Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (PG) Sat-Sun 12
Ice Age: Dawn of the Dinosaurs (G) Sat-Sun 2:45
The Informant! (PG) Fri-Thu 6:45
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Thu 8:45
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri 6:45 Sat-Sun 12-6:45 Mon-Thu 6:45
Julie & Julia (PG) Fri-Thu 4:30
Kare Sadhan De (STC) Fri 6:15 Sat-Sun 12-6:15 Mon-Thu 6:15
Shorts (G) Sat-Sun 2:20
Trailer Park Boys: Countdown to Liquor Day (18A) Fri-Thu 9

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12161-72nd Ave, Surrey, 604-501-9400

All The Best (Hindi w/e.s.t) (STC) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:35-7:50
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (G) Fri-Thu 1:50-4:25-6:50-9:15
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Tue 1:10-4:10-7:05-9:45 Wed 4:10-7:05-9:45 Thu 1:10-4:10-7:05-9:45 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Dil Bole Hadippa (Hindi w/e.s.t) (G) Fri-Tue 1:30-4:40-7:45 Wed 1:30-4:40 Thu 1:30-4:40-7:45
Do Knot Disturb (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-3:55-7:05-10
Jack Johnson (STC) Wed 7
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Thu 1:35-4:15-7:10-10:10
Main Aurr Mrs. Khanna (Hindi w/e.s.t) (STC) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:05-7-9:40
The Stepfather (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-3:50-7:30-10:05
Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Fri-Thu 1:55-6:45
Wake Up Sid (Hindi w/e.s.t.) (G) Fri-Thu 1:4-6:55-9:55
Where the Wild Things Are (G) No Passes Fri-Tue 1:40-4:30-7:15-9:50 No Passes Wed 4:30-7:15-9:50 No Passes Thu 1:40-4:30-7:15-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Zombieland (18A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:20-7:20-9:35

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Blue (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:10-4:55-8
Capitalism: A Love Story (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:15-4:05-6:50-9:35
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:40-4:6:45-9:25
Couples Retreat (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Wed 1:30-4:15-7-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Thu 1:30-4:15-9:45
The Invention of Lying (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:45-4:25-6:55-9:40
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:55-4:40-7:25-10:05
The Stepfather (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:05-4:35-7:20-10:10
Surrogates (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:40-10:15
Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:15-7:15
Where the Wild Things Are (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, No Passes, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:35-4:05-7:10-9:55
Whip It (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:25-4:20-7:05-9:50
Zombieland (18A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:30-10

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The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Thu 7:10
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri 7-9:10 Sat-Sun 2:10-7-9:10 Mon-Thu 7-9:10

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Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 7:10-9:20 Sat-Sun 2:20-7:10-9:20 Mon-Thu 7:10-9:20
The Stepfather (14A) Fri 7:20-9:25 Sat-Sun 2:30-7:20-9:25 Mon-Thu 7:20-9:25
Where the Wild Things Are (G) No Passes Fri 7-9 No Passes Sat-Sun 2-7-9 No Passes Mon-Thu 7-9
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Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (G) Fri-Sun 1:25-4:05-6:50-10 Mon-Thu 4:05-6:50-10
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs: An IMAX 3D Experience (G) Fri-Sun 12:30-2:45-5:7:15-9:30 Mon-Thu 5-7:15-9:30
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri-Sun 1:35-4:20-7:40-10:30 Mon-Tue 4:20-7:40-10:30 Wed 7:40-10:30 Thu 4:20-7:40-10:30 Fri-Sun 12:40-3:40-7:10-10:05 Mon-Thu 3:40-7:10-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 3
Fame (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15-3:55-6:55-9:50 Mon-Thu 3:55-6:55-9:50
Inglourious Basterds (18A) Fri-Sun 12:30-3:35-6:45-9:55 Mon-Thu 3:35-6:45-9:55
The Invention of Lying (PG) Fri-Sun 1:10-4:15-6:50-9:50 Mon-Thu 4:15-6:50-9:50
Jack Johnson (STC) Wed 7
Law Abiding Citizen (14A) Fri-Sun 12:35-1:40-3:45-4:30-7:05-7:45-10:10-10:30 Mon-Thu 3:45-4:30-7:05-7:45-10:10-10:30
Love Happens (PG) Fri-Sun 12:45-3:40-6:45-9:45 Mon-Tue 3:40-6:45-9:45 Wed 3:40-9:45 Thu 3:40-6:45-9:45
Monty Python: Almost the Truth - The Lawyers Cut (PG) Thu 7
The Stepfather (14A) No Passes Fri-Sun 1:4:25-7:30-10:25 No Passes Mon-Thu 4:25-7:30-10:25
Surrogates (PG) Fri-Sun 12:55-3:50-7:35-10:05 Mon-Wed 3:50-7:35-10:05 Thu 3:50-10:05
Toy Story & Toy Story 2 3D Double Feature (STC) Fri-Sun 1:30-6:30 Mon-Thu 3:30-7:30
Trailer Park Boys: Countdown to Liquor Day (18A) Fri-Sun 1:05-4:10:15 Mon-Thu 4:10:15
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Stars: Katie Featherston, Micah Sloat, Mark Fredrichs
Classification: SYC
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕⊕

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW Every few years a low budget horror movie comes along to remind us the joys of being scared in the dark. Since the genre depends on surprising audiences, smaller films tend to work better since they are unknown entities that could go anywhere.

The Blair Witch Project was the ultimate example, and now, 10 years later, Paranormal Activity offers a similar experience. Shot in a week for around $10,000, the movie represents DIY filmmaking at it's finest.

There are no big set pieces, expensive special effects, or movie stars in peril. Just a pair of talented actors and an identifiable concept designed to get under your skin and make you sleep with a nightlight.

Katie Featherston and Micah Sloat star as a young couple convinced that their house is haunted. They buy a camera a start filming the house and the entire movie plays as their supposed found footage.

At first the supernatural occurrences are merely strange noises or doors moving by themselves (the type of thing that makes everyone think their house is haunted when sleep deprived). Gradually this worsens and it becomes clear that the haunting is real. This movie is all about tension.

The camera will sit stationary for 30 seconds with nothing happening just to make sudden spooks feel unexpected.

Audiences looking for instant gratification will be disappointed, but anyone who loves suspense and tension should worry about peeing their pants.

Top pop albums, according to Billboard
1. Crazy Love, Michael Buble; 2. Sonic Boom, Kiss; 3. American Ride, Toby Keith; 4. Love is the Answer, Barbra Streisand; 5. The Blueprint 3, Jay-Z. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Reunions give rock acts a second shot

SoundCheck

There are four reasons for your band to reunite: (1) The post-break-up projects aren't working out; (2) a lack of portable skills has left you with a job at the drive-thru; (3) you discover that rock 'n' roll doesn't come with a pension plan; and (4) promoters are offering to throw boatloads of money at you. If you can stand being together with the old crew for just a few more months, maybe you can enjoy that spotlight one more time.

With that in mind, here's an update on the reunions we've seen this year.

Blink 182: Hugely successful but marred by the death of DJ AM, the only other person to survive last fall's plan crash with drummer Travis Barker. The last show was last weekend. Now what?

Blur: All over, apparently. After playing a series of ultra high-profile gigs, they've all gone their separate ways to count their money.

Don't expect any more shows or any new music. Bass player Alex James is making royal cheese for Prince Charles. No, really, he is.

Cranberries: The day singer Dolores O'Riordan released her second solo album, it was announced that the original line-up was coming back together for a tour and possibly an album. Things start in Baltimore on Nov. 12.

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Creed: Singer Scott Stapp told me that he needed to right some wrongs dating back to 2002-04, including a show in Chicago that was so bad fans actually filed a class-action lawsuit. A new album called Full Circle will be in stores on Oct. 27. The first single, "Overcome," actually did much better than most might have expected.

Faith No More: Only Europe has had a chance to see FNM since they got back together in February and the reviews have been rapturous. Why won't they play North America?

Jane's Addiction: Before they embarked on a very successful roadtrip with NIN, we were promised a new album featuring the original line-up. So where is this album?

Public Image Ltd: Okay, so it's only Johnny Lydon (ne Rotten). Only a handful of British shows have been announced.

Stone Temple Pilots: They've held it together more than 18 months now. Can they survive the Canadian tour that starts in Victoria on Nov. 7?

Suede: Not officially announced yet, but singer Bret Anderson has said publically that he's open to it.

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Dan Mangan was recently awarded the XM Radio Verge Award for Artist of the Year. Nice, Nice, Very Nice is his new album.

Mangan plays Nice

Vancouver singer-songwriter writes about what he knows

ROB MCMAHON
for Metro Canada

For Dan Mangan, the times are a-changin'.

That phrase sums up the Vancouver-based folkie's worldview. From lyrics to performances to on-tour daydreams about his home city, Mangan is constantly focused on change.

On his latest album, Nice, Nice, Very Nice, songs like Tina's Glorious Comeback reference the small differences that Mangan notices each time he returns home. The city's development is increasing in scope and speed as the 2010 Olympics draw near, and as Mangan points out, some things get lost. And for someone who's spent the last four years on the road, it is often these losses that stand out.

"A record is fixed, it's like a snapshot of that moment of recording, but the songs on it are living and aging, and change in various ways." Dan Mangan

"With the Olympics coming to Vancouver, the city is changing a lot. I'm not anti-Olympics, and not pro (Olympics) — I'm just observing how it's changing," he said. "The line 'We're not us anymore' is really about Vancouver … I love Vancouver, but I have a bit of nostalgia from when I was younger."

Mangan points to Ron Sexsmith for inspiration, especially his observation that the goal of writing should be to find a unique take on an old theme. Following the adage to "write what you know," Mangan's favourite books and songs focus on revealing universal truths through slices of human nature. This detail-oriented approach is heard in songs that reference local diners, gas-station coffee and the awkwardness of budding scenester love.

"I really like people who think small — who can take these complex human paradigms and sum them up in lines that make you smile," he said. "Jeff Tweedy from Wilco is great at that. Vonnegut too. He really puts humour into it, and can turn a phrase on its head so it leaves you with a smirk."

Mangan, who recently claimed XM Verge Award's Artist of the Year, is similarly focused on change when performing. For his upcoming tour, he's shuffled the band, bringing in new instruments (an upright bass, trumpet, violin, and wooden percussion sticks) and new musicians. While the melody, chords and lyrics stay the same, he hopes the new dynamic will shift the feel and sound of the songs.

"My M.O from day one (has been) to surround myself with people that I think are better than me. It's like snowboarding — you go with someone good, so that you get better," he said. "A record is fixed, it's like a snapshot of that moment of recording, but the songs on it are living and aging, and change in various ways … That really intrigues me."

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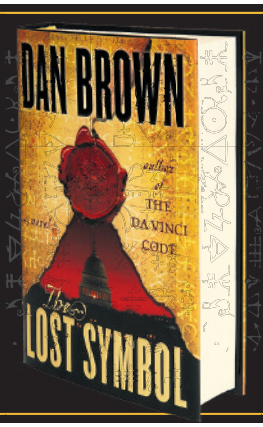

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Cleveland on a roll

Fox has ordered nine more episodes of The Cleveland Show's second season. The network had already committed to 13 episodes of a second season for the Family Guy spinoff, which premiered last month. TVGUIDE.COM

Television

Sense of humour aids in Swift recovery

Country star makes light of infamous Kanye West snub in hosting SNL

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE PHOTO

Taylor Swift hosts SNL Nov. 7.

Taylor Swift will have the stage to herself next month — with no interruptions — when she hosts Saturday Night Live.

The only question is: who will play Kanye West?

Last month, West hijacked Swift's acceptance speech after she became the first country star to win best female video at the MTV Video Music Awards. West grabbed the mike and declared that Beyoncé's nominated video for Single Ladies was "one of the best videos of all time."

"I've been thinking about skit ideas for a long time," said 19-year-old Swift. "There are definitely some hilarious things that have happened to me over the past couple of months that I think will be pretty substantial skits."

Swift called the chance to host SNL on Nov. 7 "mind-blowing," and said it's been difficult to keep it a secret since producers asked her during the summer. She said she loved being a musical guest on the show in January, and will perform again when she hosts.

"I love being around people who I feel have a different kind of creative genius," said Swift. "And the funny genius is definitely a fascinating one to be around."

Swift joins a group of artists who have done double duty on the show, including Justin Timberlake, Sting and Janet Jackson.

Like Timberlake, Swift hopes to work with cast member Andy Samberg on a digital short music video.

"Of course I've been such a fan for a long time," said Swift, "but I've gone back and re-watched everything over the past couple of months. And digital shorts would be so much fun to do, because they've been done so well."

In addition to SNL, Swift will perform on Dancing With the Stars on Oct. 27.

She has been nominated for four Country Music Association Awards, including entertainer of the year, the youngest to receive the honour. She's had five No. 1 country singles and two consecutive No. 1 pop songs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Entertainment in brief

BLASPHEMY Comedian Sarah Silverman has a new proposal to end world hunger. In a new video monologue circulating on YouTube in time for World Food Day, Silverman suggests it's time for Pope Benedict XVI to sell the Vatican and use the proceeds to feed the world's poor. Calling His Holiness "literally a caped crusader," she implores him: "You preach to live humbly, and I totally agree. So now maybe it's time for you to move out of your house that is a city." She also suggests that if he follows her advice, she'll let any church involvement in the Holocaust be "bygones." The Catholic League denounced Silverman's "filthy diatribe." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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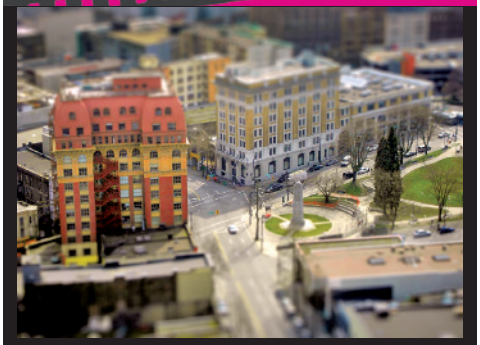

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	250	321	9 CTV	etalk (CC)	Hollywood	Ghost Whisperer "Do Over"		Medium (N) (CC)		Flashpoint "Custody" (N)		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	Ice Age ★★★ (2002) Voices of Ray Romano. Premiere.				NUMB3RS (N) (CC)		News
	256	389	12 VI	Degrassi	TMZ (N)	Law & Order "Reality Bites"		Law & Order: SVU		Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	A News (N)
	253	359	13 CITY	The Office	The Office	Ugly Betty "The Butterfly Effect" (Season Premiere) (N)				The Jay Leno Show (N)		The CityNews
	-	-	14 CW	The Office	The Office	Smallville "Echo" (N) (CC)		America's Next Top Model		Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Frasier (CC)
	289	381	15 CBS	Entertainment	The Insider	Ghost Whisperer "Do Over"		Medium (N) (CC)		NUMB3RS (N) (CC)		KIRO News
	287	379	16 NBC	Evening Mag.	Inside Edition	Law & Order "Reality Bites"		Secrets of the Lost Symbol		The Jay Leno Show (N)		KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Ugly Betty "The Butterfly Effect" (Season Premiere) (N)				20/20 (N) (CC)		News
	290	382	23 FOX	MLB Baseball	MLB Post	Cops (CC)	Malcolm-Mid.	King of Hill	Family Guy	News	Most Wanted	Family Guy
news	502	390	26 NW	Canada: Above & Beyond		CBC News: The National		CBC News: The National		Canada: Above & Beyond		National
	500	500	33 CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)				Larry King Live		Anderson Cooper 360 (CC)		Cooper 360
family sports	407	419	22 RSP	NHL Hockey: Canucks at Flames			Sportsnet	Canucks TV	UEFA Champ.	Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Sportsnet
	400	400	30 TSN	CFL Football	SportsCentre (Live) (CC)			2009 World Series of Poker		2009 World Series of Poker		SportsCentre
	552	543	25 YTV	Double, Double, Toil and Trouble ★★ (1993) (CC)				Things	Prank Patrol	That's-Weird	Sorry	Adrenaline
	555	545	50 TEL	Batman	Wolverine	Justice	Star Wars	Futurama	King of Hill	Spawn ★★ (1997) John Leguizamo.		
cable variety	268	354	5 KNO	Chiefs Life of Black Hawk.		Poirot (N) (CC)		New Tricks "Mad Dogs"		Manufactured Landscapes ★★★ (2006)		
	575	583	20 CMT	Coyote Ugly	Coyote Ugly	Doc Walker: Live at Revival		Dallas Cheerleaders		Coyote Ugly	Coyote Ugly	Star Crossed
	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds "In Heat"		CSI: Miami "Resurrection"		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal
	521	560	34 TLC	Wedded to Perfection (N)		Dress	Dress	Wedded to Perfection (CC)		Dress	Dress	Dress
	616	522	35 SHO	The Outer Limits (CC)		Howie Do It	Howie Do It	Kenny	Kenny	Trailer Park	Trailer Park	Foundatn
	294	650	47 TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	Name Is Earl	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Sex and-City	The Rock ★★★ (1996) (PA) Sean Connery.		
	603	561	52 FN	Diners		Ramsay's Kitchen		Unwrapped	Unwrapped	Bobby Flay	Bobby Flay	Diners
	-	-	53 AMC	The Delta Force ★★ (1986, Action) Chuck Norris, Lee Marvin, Hanna Schygulla. (CC)						Puppet Master ★★ (1989) Paul Le Mat.		
	320	621	60 CEN	(6:30) The Clique (2008) (CC)		New in Town ★ (2009) Renée Zellweger.			(:35) Leatherheads ★★ (2008) George Clooney. (CC)			
	581	566	101 MTV	The Hills	After	1 girl 5 gays	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	OverBolts	The Hills	After	Made (CC)

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SATURDAY

VA	Vu	SC	C	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
primetime	251	308	3 CBC	NHL Hockey Minnesota Wild at Vancouver Canucks. (Live) (CC)					HNIC: After Hours		News	HNIC Replay
	250	321	9 CTV	My Best Friend's Wedding ★★★ (1997) Julia Roberts.				CSI: Miami (CC)		Law & Order: SVU		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	renegade	Jane Show	Project Runway Canada		The House Next Door (2006) Lara Flynn Boyle. (CC)				News Final
	256	389	12 VI	New Canoe	Island Week	Kool Countdown (CC)		The Road to Avonlea		Whistler (CC) (DVS)		Bravo! Fact
	253	359	13 CITY	My RONA Home (CC)		Murdoch Mysteries		Murdoch Mysteries		Ted Rogers		Amazing
	-	-	14 CW	The Office	The Office	Smash Cuts	Smash Cuts	The Hills	The Hills	CSI: NY (CC)		CSI: Miami
	289	381	15 CBS	Entertainment Tonight (N)		NCIS "Caged" (CC)		CSI: Miami (CC)		48 Hours Mystery (N) (CC)		News
	287	379	16 NBC	Backroads	Inside Edition	Mercy (CC)		Trauma "Bad Day at Work"		Law & Order: SVU		KING 5 News
	288	380	21 ABC	NASCAR Racing: Sprint Cup			Fortune	Political Debate		The Brian McKnight Show		News
	290	382	23 FOX	MLB Baseball	MLB Post	Cops (CC)	Cops (CC)	Grey's Anatomy (CC)		News	Most Wanted	Talkshow
news	502	390	26 NW	Charles Other Mistress		National	Issue	National	Mansbridge	Charles Other Mistress		National
	500	500	33 CNN	Newsroom		Cheating Death		Larry King Live		Newsroom		Death
family sports	407	419	22 RSP	MLB Baseball		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		The Ultimate Fighter		Sportsnet Connected (Live)		Poker
	400	400	30 TSN	NASCAR Racing: Sprint Cup			SportsCentre (Live) (CC)		ATP Tennis: Shanghai Masters 1000			SportsCentre
	552	543	25 YTV	(6:00) Monster House ★★★		Funniest Home Videos		Smallville "Prey" (CC)		Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline
	555	545	50 TEL	Addams Family Values ★★ (1993) Anjelica Huston.				Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Venture Bros.	Moral Orel (N)
cable variety	268	354	5 KNO	National Geographic		Heartbeat "Family Matters"		Midsomer Murders "They Seek Him Here" (CC)				Jazz
	575	583	20 CMT	Moonstruck ★★★ (1987, Romance-Comedy) Cher, Nicolas Cage.						Moonstruck ★★★ (1987) Cher, Nicolas Cage.		
	615	520	31 A&E	CSI: Miami "Bombshell"		CSI: Miami (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		CSI: Miami
	521	560	34 TLC	Wedded to Perfection (CC)		Dress	Dress	Wedded to Perfection (CC)		Wedded to Perfection (CC)		Dress
	616	522	35 SHO	The Guard "Fight or Flight"		Voices (CC)				Spider-Man 3 ★★ (2007) Tobey Maguire.		
	294	650	47 TBS	Lethal Weapon 4 ★★ (1998) (PA) Mel Gibson, Danny Glover. (CC) (DVS)					Stealth ★★ (2005) (PA) Josh Lucas, Jessica Biel. (CC)			
	603	561	52 FN	Top Chef: Las Vegas (CC)		Hell's Kitchen (CC)		Challenge (CC)		Chopped (CC)		Top Chef
	-	-	53 AMC	Lethal Weapon ★★★ (1987, Action) Mel Gibson, Danny Glover. (CC)					Lethal Weapon 2 ★★★ (1989, Action) Mel Gibson. (CC)			
	320	621	60 CEN	(6:25) Last Chance Harvey		Paul Blart: Mall Cop ★★ (2009) Premiere.			(:35) I Now Pronounce You Chuck and Larry ★ (2007) (CC)			
	581	566	101 MTV	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Cribs (CC)	Made "Wakeboarder" (CC)		After	After	Cribs (CC)

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primetime	251	308	3 CBC	Heartland (N) (CC) (DVS)		Battle of the Blades (N)		The Nature of Things (N)		CBC News: The National (N)		News
	250	321	9 CTV	Degrassi	Degrassi	The Amazing Race 15 (N)		Desperate Housewives (N)		Cold Case "Soul" (N) (CC)		CTV News
	252	336	11 GTV	16:9 Picture	Prod. Parker	Simpsons	Cleveland Sh	Family Guy	Amer Dad	(:01) Brothers & Sisters (N)		News Final
	256	389	12 VI	America's Next Top Model		Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story ★★★ (2004) (CC)				Spectacle: Elvis		New Canoe
	253	359	13 CITY	Survivorman (CC)		Extreme Makeover: Home		My RONA Home (N) (CC)		Conviction Kitchen		Amazing
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	289	381	15 CBS	60 Minutes (N) (CC)		The Amazing Race 15 (N)		Three Rivers (N) (CC)		Cold Case "Soul" (N) (CC)		News
	287	379	16 NBC	NFL Football: Bears at Falcons			The Jim Mora	Dateline NBC (CC)		Law & Order: SVU		KING 5 News
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	615	520	31 A&E	Criminal Minds "Lo-Fi"		CSI: Miami (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		(:01) Criminal Minds (CC)		Criminal
	521	560	34 TLC	My Shocking Story (N) (CC)		The Woman With Giant Legs		Surviving a Super Tumor		My Shocking Story (CC)		Heaviest Man
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	294	650	47 TBS	MLB Baseball: Dodgers at Phillies			MLB Post	Sahara ★★ (2005) (PA) Matthew McConaughey, Steve Zahn. (CC)				
	603	561	52 FN	Dinner: Impossible (CC)		Restaurant Makeover (CC)		Get on Plate	Food	Iron Chef America (CC)		Dinner
	-	-	53 AMC	Mad Men "The Color Blue"		(:02) Mad Men (CC)		(:03) Breaking Bad "Over"		Mad Men "The Color Blue"		No Way Out
	320	621	60 CEN	(:10) Mamma Mia! ★★ (2008) Meryl Streep, Colin Firth.				Dexter (N) (CC)		Mr. Brooks ★★ (2007) Kevin Costner. (CC)		
	581	566	101 MTV	OverBolts	OverBolts	1 girl 5 gays	Cribs (CC)	OverBolts	OverBolts	OverBolts	OverBolts	1 girl 5 gays

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Salute to MJ

Michael Jackson will receive a 16-dancer salute on Tuesday's live results show of Dancing with the Stars. Executive producer Conrad Green says the show's professional dancers have been preparing a special tribute to three of Jackson's most iconic songs. **PEOPLE.COM**

Going Out

Mix of Six

VIFF

When: Friday
Where: Various venues

Several films, starting at 10:45 a.m., are planned for the last day of the Vancouver International Film Festival, which closes with Queen To Play. The closing party follows.

JAY-Z in concert

When: Friday, 8 PM.
Where: General Motors Place

The superstar New York rapper is in Vancouver accompanied by N.E.R.D. to perform some of his past hits as well as material from his new album, The Blueprint 3. Tix: $29-$375. Info: livenation.com

54-40

When: Friday and Saturday
Where: Commodore Ballroom

The Canadian alternative rockers, who formed in Tsawwassen 28 years ago, are back at home for two shows at the Commodore Ballroom. Performances start at 8 p.m. Tix: Starting from $29.50. Info: ticketmaster.ca.

The Miracle Worker

When: Runs until Oct. 31
Where: Playhouse Theatre Company

Three-act play based on the autobiography of American political activist Helen Keller — who was deaf, blind and mute. Info: vancouverplayhouse.com.

Fright Nights at PNE

When: Opening weekend
Where: The PNE

The PNE playland will be grasped by holiday terror for two full weeks. Learn about the history of execution, visit the haunted house or try your favourite ride with a ghostly twist. Tix $25-30, Info: pne.ca.

Music 4 Change

When: Saturday
Where: Biltmore Cabaret

The third annual charity music event, headlined by female-led bands, including Catlow and Piper Davis, raises money for Oxfam programs that support women's rights and climate change. Info: 604-676-0541.

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 Malcolm Gladwell

AUTHOR He has made it to Time Magazine's 100 most influential people list. His three books — Blink, The Tipping Point and Outliers — have sold millions. Now the Canadian writer and pop sociologist has been named the world's second most influential management thinker by the London Business School. Expect more kudos (and cash) when his new book What The Dog Saw – a collection of his New Yorker essays — hits bookstores next week.

2 Where The Wild Things Are

FILM Despite being adapted from a 338-word bedtime favourite, Spike Jonze's version of the Maurice Sendak tale may be the most high-concept foray ever into the kiddie movie genre. We don't how much fun it will actually be for your children but we'll see.

3 Whatever Works

DVD Guess what? The neurotic curmudgeon in the Woody Allen comedy is not Woody Allen. It's Larry David. As you'd expect, the man behind Curb Your Enthusiasm and Seinfeld makes sarcasm and surly behaviour sing in this lightweight but amusing affair. Patricia Clarkson and Evan Rachel Wood get their own share of laughs.

4 Carey Mulligan

ACTRESS If the name doesn't ring a bell, don't worry. You'll hear plenty about this British actress once her film An Education hits theatres this fall. The 24-year-old has been on Oscar watchers' short list for a best-actress slot since the Nick Hornby-penned drama premiered at January's Sundance Film Festival.

5 Google Street View Canada

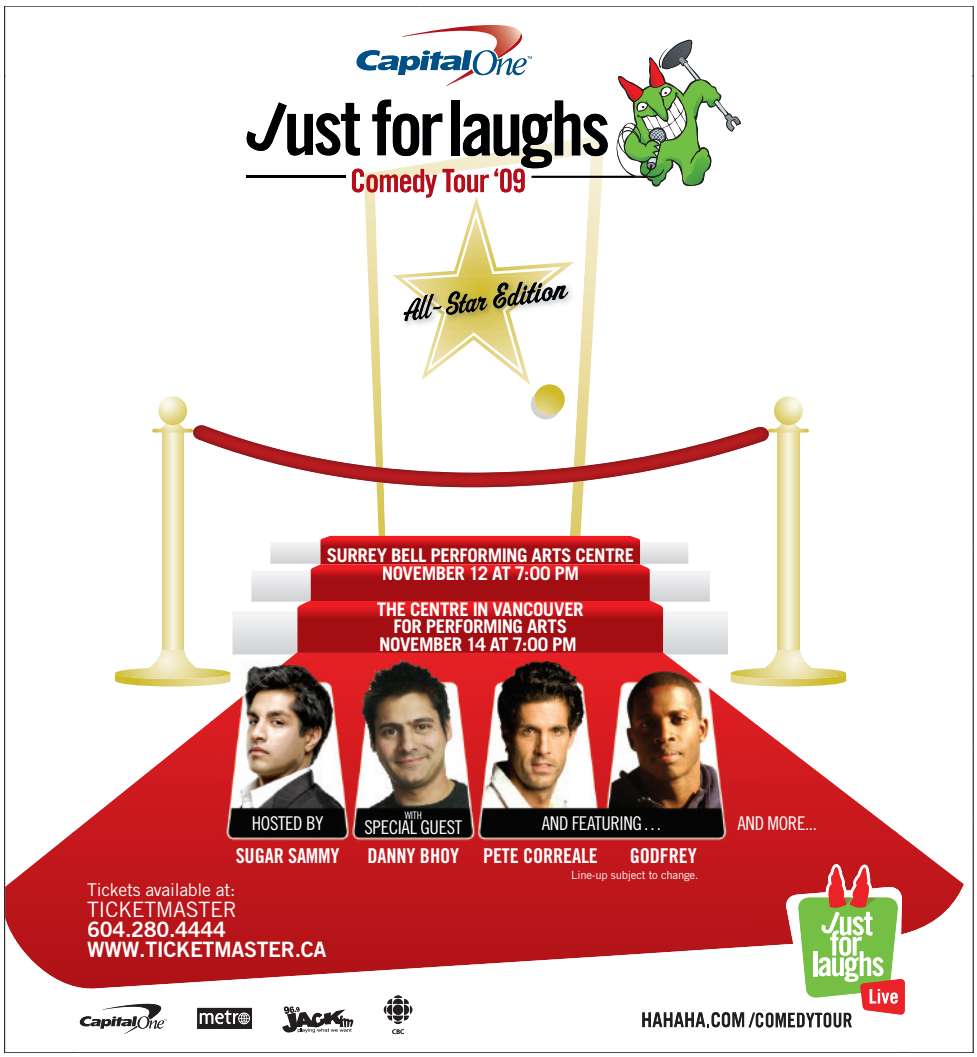
TECH Voyeur's delight or best mapping tool ever? The jury's still out, but you are kidding yourself if you don't think it's a whole lot of fun. The Google service is now available for 11 Canadian cities — type in an address and you'll be able to see actual images of the street/neighbourhood you are looking for. Visit maps.google.ca/streetview to get started.

6 Dracula: The Un-Dead/Dacre Stoker

BOOK The king of the bloodsucker set is haunting bookstores just in time for Halloween in Dracula: The Un-Dead, a sequel to Bram Stoker's 1897 classic. The new tale, set 25 years after the original, has some extra bite to it as it springs from the same bloodline as Stoker, being co-authored by Dacre Stoker, Bram's Montreal-born great-grandnephew.

7 Embryonic: The Flaming Lips

ALBUM Now that they can sell out arenas, the masters of confetti-rock are back to quirky territory. Their latest release takes a left-turn from the populism of Yoshimi Battles The Pink Robots, landing straight on to the scuzzy psychedelia of their '90s output. Despite being 70 minutes long, there's plenty in this double album to keep listeners riveted.



Black Eyed Peas singer plays benefit concert in Philippines

Black Eyed Peas singer apl.de.ap has flown to his native Philippines following devastating back-to-back storms to perform a benefit concert and deliver much-needed aid.

Apl planned to stage the concert Thursday evening in Manila during a brief trip to the country.

"I just want to tell everybody that my heart goes out to you guys and I will try my best to help out," he told reporters ahead of the event.

A Los Angeles resident whose real name is Allan Pineda Lindo, apl said he was concerned when he saw television footage of the devastation and decided to make a brief visit.

The worst flooding in 40 years struck the rice-growing northern Philippines and the capital Manila late last month when a typhoon after a storm dumped heavy rains that triggered landslides and inundated towns, killing 712 people and affecting more than 7 million.

In addition to a concert with local artists, apl brought canned goods from California, donated cash and appealed for more money for victims from around the world.

GETTY IMAGES

Apl.de.ap of Black Eyed Peas visited his native Philippines with aid and a concert after storms ravaged the country.

The hip-hop singer, who was adopted at 14 and moved to the United States, said he remains proud of his roots.

Even before his storm outreach, apl was involved in projects in his native country.

He recently performed in a music video, created in partnership with the Philippine Department of Tourism and MTV Asia, singing a new rap song, Take U to the Philippines, which features the country's white sand beaches, mountains and bustling cities.

"I love our culture, and you know I wanna share that all over the world," he said. "I'm very proud to be Filipino." **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Swank wants kids
Hilary Swank is looking forward to having kids, and she considers spending time with boyfriend John Campisi's son, Sam, to be good practice. "Sam's a sweetheart," she says, according to Showbiz Spy. METRO WORLD NEWS

Celebrity Buzz

Jen & John back on?

ON AGAIN OFF AGAIN It's not the first time Jennifer Aniston and John Mayer have reunited after a split, but the couple are simply "enjoying their friendship," says a source close to the singer. "They've been talking for a while — they're very friendly." Adds another source, "They've remained close," people.com reports.

The duo recently spent a night together late last month at New York City's Bowery Hotel. "Jen was there on the arm of John and they were all very lovey," says an onlooker. "She was in casual clothing as was he, and she seemed very comfortable around his crowd of friends."

Aniston, 40, and Mayer, 31, first called it quits in August 2008, only to reunite months later for a short time — and then split once again in March after a very public appearance together at the Oscars.

At the time of their most recent split, a source told People, "Jen got her feelings very hurt and she is done with John for good. They have no contact for now." Reps could not be reached for comment. METRO WORLD NEWS

Simpson gets apology

A NOT-SO-FUNNY FOUL Call it a definite foul, people.com reports.

After a less-than-sensitive cartoon commercial that mercilessly mocked Jessica Simpson during FOX's NFL Sunday last week, the network and Burger King apologized for the ad.

"Burger King did not have any editorial input in the creation of the animation that ran last Sunday, and no one from Burger King Corp., approved it before it aired," FOX said in a statement. "Upon reflection, our poor attempt at humour was insensitive, and we deeply apologize to anyone who might have been offended."

In the commercial, cartoon versions of the Cowboys ribbed ex-boyfriend Tony Romo for dating her, skewered Simpson, 29, and for her weight gain after their breakup.

"Man, I still can't believe Tony dated Jessica Simpson, even after she blew up bigger than Flozell Adams!" Marion Barber said. "Unlike Tony, at least Jessica comes up big when it counts," Jason Witten responded.

And the cartoon version of coach Wade Phillips adds, "Say Tony, is Jessica around? We could use a defensive tackle!" Romo was not available for comment. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Khloe laughs at tabloid news

I DIDN'T DO THAT! Khloe Kardashian says she had a good laugh when she picked up the new issue of Star, which claimed she and Los Angeles Laker Lamar Odom had already split because he refused to give her a massage, usmagazine.com reports.

"I seriously died when I read that! LOL," she writes on her blog. "Star is known for doing evil, fake and RIDICULOUS stories about my family. Remember the cover story, Kardashians At War? Honey, please," she added.

She said Star is "becoming the Enquirer. Next thing you know they'll be saying that Kourtney is giving birth to a cat! LOL. All of their stories are absurd but at least we get a good laugh from their lies."

For the record, Khloe, 25, says married life is "incredible and I've never been so happy. I feel so blessed to have Lamar and I can't wait to spend my life with him." METRO NEWS SERVICES

Celebrity tweets

Heidi Montag gets all domestic, Jeremy Piven isn't a fan of time changes, Kathy Griffin goes looking for fans, and Diablo Cody gets creative about her costume.

• @heidimontag
Today I am going to cook my first home made chicken noodle soup!!! I have so much fun cooking for my hubby!

• @jeremypiven
Leaving the UK after sleeping like I was dug into a fox hole and ready for a US time zone!

• @officialkathyg
Ok, so now that Miley "quit Twitter", y'know, 'cause she's 2 busy n famous n stuff, can I have her TWO million followers. Praise Jesus y'all

• @diablocody
I'm going to go as a respected individual for Halloween.

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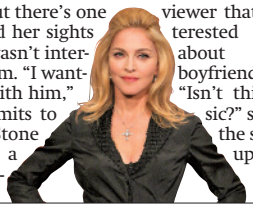
Eminem denies Madonna

MUSIC COLLABORATIONS Madonna has had a lot of hip collaborators recently, from Justin Timberlake to Lil Wayne. But there's one artist she had her sights set on who wasn't interested: Eminem. "I wanted to work with him," Madonna admits to Rolling Stone magazine in a new interview.

"But he didn't want to work with me." She also makes it clear to her interviewer that she isn't interested in talking about Brazilian boyfriend Jesus Luz: "Isn't this about music?" she asks when the subject comes up. METRO WORLD NEWS



Mom it wasn't me, says Pattinson

TRUTH OR MYTH? Robert Pattinson has a hard time convincing his mother that the stories about him in the tabloids aren't true. "My mom says, 'I can't believe you did this,' and I'm like, 'I didn't do it.' She's like, 'Yes you did, I know you did,'" the Twilight star says, according to Showbiz Spy.

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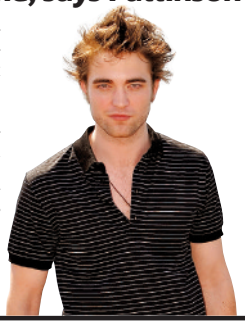

Lewis cancels trip after attack

MAN ARRESTED British singer Leona Lewis was forced to cancel a promotional trip to Germany after being attacked at a book signing in London, her spokesman tells AFP.

"Leona is obviously shocked after yesterday but is OK," the spokesman says, referring to the incident Wednesday when "a guy came up and punched her to the side of the head."

The assailant didn't appear to say anything to Lewis, and the attack appeared unprovoked. Security quickly intervened, and the man was arrested. METRO WORLD NEWS

Spears is best celeb mom: Poll

AND THE WINNER IS... Despite custody battles with Kevin Federline and being forced to undergo court-appointed parenting counseling, Britney Spears is the best celebrity mom — at least according to the customers of Park, a British savings company. In the poll, Spears beat out Christina Aguilera, Angelina Jolie, Katie Holmes and others. METRO WORLD NEWS

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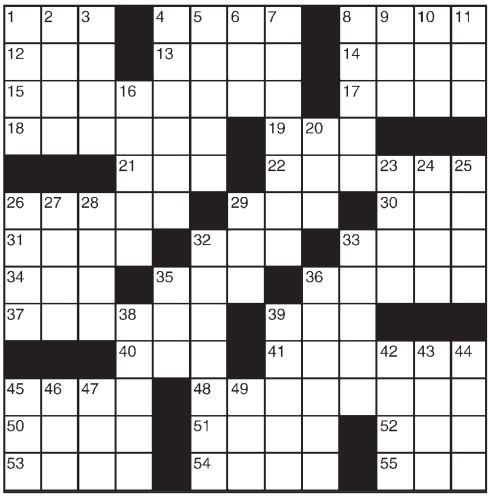

Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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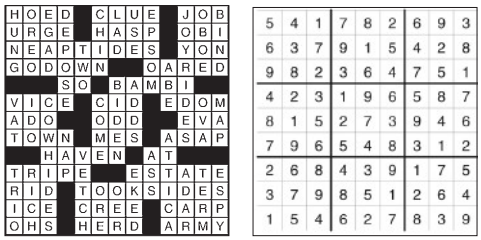
ACROSS

1 Hasty escape
4 Lend a hand
8 Give up
12 Berlin's "What'll —?"
13 Eye layer
14 Busy with
15 Sarsaparilla concoction
17 Being, to Brutus
18 Aft
19 Puncturing tool
21 Perch
22 Goon
26 De-ices, in a way
29 Visibility hindrance
30 Through
31 Sculpture medium
32 Give the axe
33 Suitably
34 $ dispenser
35 Blend
36 Imposing residence
37 Additionally
39 Succumb to gravity
40 Luau bowlful
41 Increase threefold
45 Essen's river
48 Popular 1940s attire
50 Largest of the seven
51 Green-eyed monster
52 Moment
53 Lave
54 — -do-well
55 "What did you say?"

DOWN

1 Turkish money
2 Big fusses
3 Academic
4 Exaggerated pride
5 Occurrence
6 Shelter
7 Ideal
8 Pacify
9 Boom times
10 "Monty Python" intro
11 Pirouette pivot
16 Irritable
20 Witty one
23 It takes the cake
24 Massage supplies
25 Story
26 "Begone!"
27 Saxophone range
28 Symbol of gentleness
29 Phone transmission
32 National
33 Salary
35 Cattle call
36 Constant sufferer
38 Big name in daytime TV
39 Franklin, for one
42 Reagan successor
43 Stead
44 Leave a lasting impression
45 Uncul-tured
46 — Today
47 Towel designation
49 "A Chorus Line" song

PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



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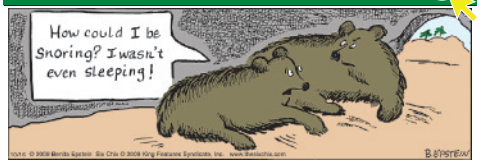

Metro Recipe of the Day

Three-meat Stromboli

INGREDIENTS:

2 loaves (1 lb/500 g each) frozen bread dough, thawed
2 tbsp (25 ml) Dijon mustard
1/2 cup (125 ml) grated Parmesan cheese, divided
1/4 lb (125 g) pastrami, finely chopped
1/4 lb (125 g) pepperoni, finely chopped
1/4 lb (125 g) hard salami, finely chopped
1 cup (250 ml) shredded Swiss cheese
1 egg, beaten

METHOD:

1. Roll each loaf of bread into 12-in. x 7-in. (30.5 cm x 18 cm) rectangle. Spread mustard to within 1 in. (2.5 cm) of edges. Sprinkle each with 2 tbsp (25 ml) Parmesan cheese.
2. Combine pastrami, pepperoni, salami and Swiss cheese; sprinkle over dough. Top with remaining Parmesan. Brush edges of dough with egg. Roll up jelly-roll style, beginning with long side. Seal edge and ends.

3. Place seam side down on greased baking sheet; cut three slits in top of each loaf. Bake at 350 F (180 C) 35-40 minutes. Slice; serve warm.

MAKES TWO LOAVES

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ARIES ♈
MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Mars, your ruler, moves into the most dynamic area of your chart today, so how can you possible lose? Chances are you can't.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Some will be surprised and some will be shocked by just how emotional you get today, but they shouldn't be because the signs have been there.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
With intense cosmic activity taking place in one of the more outgoing areas of your chart it's unlikely you will do domesticated things.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
No matter how big the task you have set yourself and no matter how strong the rivals who stand in your way there is no doubt you will beat the odds.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
Whatever you do today and over the weekend you are sure to make a superb job of it. With Mars moving into your sign there will be no stopping you.

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
You have what it takes to make your dreams come true and no matter what setbacks you may encounter today you must tell yourself that you will succeed.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
You are in for a busy few days in the company of people you not only respect but who are on the same wavelength as you emotionally.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
If you need to get tough with someone now is the time to come down on them hard. You won't be in the mood to forgive and forget.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
You won't stop moving or talking today and anyone who wants a peaceful life had better stay out of your way.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
You are in one of those moods where you can't decide whether to change everything or to leave things as they are.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Just lately it seems that everything you turn your hand to goes better than expected, but you may come up against an obstacle that cannot be moved.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Others may not be trying to deliberately mislead you but the planets indicate they themselves have been deceived. Break the chain – think for yourself.

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This day in history

1793: Marie Antoinette, wife of Louis XVI, is guillotined at the height of the French Revolution.
1841: Queen's University is founded in Kingston, Ont.
1834: Much of the ancient structure of the Palace of Westminster in London is burnt to the ground.
1923: The Walt Disney Company is founded by Walt Disney and his brother, Roy Disney.
1940: Holocaust: The Warsaw Ghetto is established.
1978: Pope John Paul II is elected after the October 1978 Papal conclave.

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Sirenis La Salina Varadero + taxes & fees $212

Montego Bay 7 Nights
4.5-Star All-inclusive was $2669 now $2289
Gran Bahia Principe Jamaica + taxes & fees $256

Signature Vacations

Receive $50Δ
Signature Travel Voucher
Book any 7-night sun package from Signature Vacations and receive a $50Δ future travel voucher.

Huatulco 7 Nights
4.5-Star All-inclusive was $1458 now $898
Las Brisas Huatulco + taxes & fees $263

Riviera Nayarit 7 Nights
4-Star All-inclusive was $1488 now $978
Grand Marival Nuevo Vallarta + taxes & fees $263

Cozumel 7 Nights
4-Star All-inclusive was $1438 now $1028
Iberostar Cozumel + taxes & fees $263

Sunquest Vacations

Receive $100Δ
Value Pack
Book any 7-night sun package from Sunquest Vacations and receive a $50Δ discount on private transfers and receive a $50Δ future travel voucher.

Riviera Maya 7 Nights
5-Star All-inclusive was $1827 now $1357
Riu Tequila + taxes & fees $263

Vallarta Nayarit 7 Nights
5-Star All-inclusive was $1817 now $1397
Riu Vallarta + taxes & fees $263

Liberia 7 Nights
5-Star All-inclusive was $2147 now $1697
Riu Guanacaste + taxes & fees $201

Sunwing Vacations

Bonus $50Δ
excursion credit per booking at destination when you book any 7-night sun package from Sunwing.

Cancun 7 Nights
3-Star All-inclusive was $1499 now $775
Oasis Cancun + taxes & fees $280

Varadero 7 Nights
4-Star All-inclusive was $1299 now $795
SuperClubs Breezes Bella Costa + taxes & fees $206

Riviera Maya 7 Nights
3.5-Star All-inclusive was $1669 now $1095
Viva Wyndham Maya + taxes & fees $280

Transat Holidays

Receive $50Δ
Transat Travel Voucher
Book any minimum 7-night sun, Florida or cruise package with Transat Holidays and receive a $50Δ future travel voucher.

Puerto Vallarta 7 Nights
4-Star All-inclusive was $1249 now $598
Holiday Inn Puerto Vallarta + taxes & fees $263

Puerto Plata 7 Nights
4-Star All-inclusive was $1299 now $698
*Bahia Principle San Juan Golden Club 4** + taxes & fees $312

Manzanillo 7 Nights
4-Star All-inclusive was $1599 now $1098
*Barcelo Karmina Palace 4** + taxes & fees $263

WestJet Vacations

Receive $500Δ
WestJet Travel Credit
Book any 7-night USA or International package with WestJet Vacations and receive a total $500Δ future travel credit with WestJet.

Honolulu
Air + 7 Nights was $1308 now $689
Sheraton Princess Kaiulani + taxes & fees $185

Varadero 7 Nights
3.5-Star All-inclusive was $1128 now $989
Barlovento Hoteles + taxes & fees $70

Holguin 7 Nights
4-Star All-inclusive was $1328 now $1059
Blau Costa Verde + taxes & fees $70

Cayo Coco 7 Nights
4-Star All-inclusive was $1418 now $1069
Tryp Cayo Coco + taxes & fees $74

Cruise Holidays

Mexican Riviera
7-Night Cruise
from $335 + taxes & fees $72
HIGHLIGHTS Los Cabos, Mazatlan and Puerto Vallarta. Roundtrip Los Angeles.

Caribbean 7-Night Cruise from $391 + taxes & fees $94
HIGHLIGHTS Samana Bay, St Thomas, Tortola and Great Stirrup Cay. Roundtrip Miami.

Mediterranean
10-Night Cruise from $629 + taxes & fees $59
HIGHLIGHTS Rhodes, Crete, Katakolon, Malta, Tunis/Tunisia, Malaga and Lisbon. Departs Athens.

USA Holidays

Anaheim
Air + 4 Nights
from $479* + taxes & fees $122
INCLUDES accom near *Disneyland* Resort.
ADD 3-day *Disneyland* Resort *Park Hopper* Bonus Ticket from $189.

Southern California
Air + Car from $489 + taxes & fees $126
INCLUDES airfare into San Francisco, return from San Diego and 7-day car rental with unlimited mileage. ADD Napa & Sonoma Valley wine explorer pass from $59.

New York Air + 4 Nights from $889 + taxes & fees $129
INCLUDES Manhattan accom.

Canada Holidays

Montreal Air + 3 Nights from $499 + taxes & fees $111
ADD Montreal City guided sightseeing tour from $44.

Toronto Air + 3 Nights from $529 + taxes & fees $117
INCLUDES 4-star central accom. ADD Niagara Falls day trip with buffet lunch from $129.

Halifax Air + 5 Nights from $949 + taxes & fees $123
INCLUDES 4-star central accom.

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